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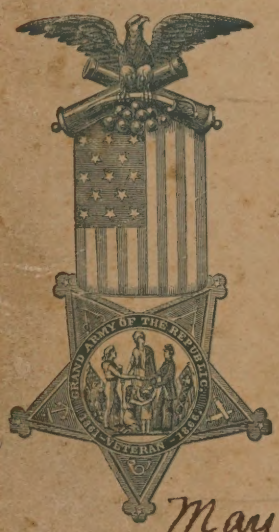

MINUTES.

Wm Logan Rodman POST, No. One

DEPT. OF Massachusetts

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

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May 7. 1890 to Aug. 26. 1891

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Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post No. 1
Dept of Mass G.A.R. New Bedford May 7th 1890

Post opened in due form by the P. C.

Officers present

P. C. Geo P. Gifford S.V.C. Chas F. Burgess
J.V.C. Chas W. Ripley Adjt S.C. Chamberlin
2 M. John Smith Chap Geo A. Taylor act
O.D. Joseph Donaghy Sergt H.R. Griffith
O.G. Geo H Carpenter S.M. R.W. Snow
2 M.S Wm Hawes

Records of the last meeting read and approved

2 M made his weekly report cash on hand 393.94

Genl Orders No 13 from National H.Q. and No. 4 from Dept H.Q. were read and placed on file

Sick report		To visit the sick	
A J Matthews	about the same	Adjt and Comrades	
Weeden	gaining	A J Smith	" S.V.C.
Perrin	same	E F Smith	" Braley
King	no report		
Seth Hatch	improving		
Peters	no report	Forbes	" England

Ballot

The committee on the application of Wm H. Hicks all reported favorably and on a ballot he was Elected

The committee on the application of Edward R. Roach all reported unfavorably and after some remarks Patrick Donovan asked to withdraw the application and by vote of the Post his request was granted

Application for Membership

of Oliver Cobb was read and referred to the following committee for examination Wm Oesting Joseph Donaghy and H. R. Gripp

Muster

Charles H. Jennings was duly mustered into this Post

Reinstatement

Stephen W. Hathaway was reinstated in this Post

Reports of committees

The delinquent committee reported a list of names of comrades who were 4 Quarters in arrears for dues

Voted On motion of S. V. L. that Michael Poindexter James H. Barnett and Charles H. Potter be suspended

The Q.M. made his report for the month of April and it was refered to the auditing committee

The committee on procuring a Hall for drill reported that they could get a place on Front St. one night in a week for 7 dollars per month

Voted That the committee procure the Hall as reported

Voted on motion of the Adj't that the Post meet Monday nights for drill

A communication was read from Comrade Geo K. Jones asking for aid

Voted on motion of the S.V.C. that the matter be refered to the Relief Committee

Voted That the request from the committee of the Iron Hall for use of table and horses be granted

A comrade from Wm A. Stuart Post Attleboro made some remarks for the good of the order

Bills

of the Edison Electric Light Co and Josephus Buckley were read

Voted on motion of the O.D. that the bills be paid on the approval of the finance committee

Voted To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting

Number of Comrades present 56

Closed according to the Ritual

S. C. Chamberlin
Adjt

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post No 1
Dept of Mass G. A. R. New Bedford May 14 / 90

Post opened in due form by P. C. Geo. A. Gifford

Officers absent

J. V. C. C. W. Kipley Geo. A. Gaylor act

Records of the last meeting read and approved

2 M made his weekly report cash on hand 354.39

Sick report To visit the sick

A J Matthews	more comfortable	Chap.	and Oering
Weeden	gaining	O. D.	" Geo A Gaylor
Kenni	as usual	Braley	" Edgecomb
Peters	no better	Peirce	" Morse
Haleh	not able to work		

Reported sick

Thomas Washington Go visit him the C. G.

Declared off the benefit list

Elisha P. Allen

Ballot

The committee on the application of Irwin Cobb all reported favorably and on a ballot he was Elected

Martin

Wm H Hicks and Irwin Cobb were duly mustered into the G. A. R and after signing the rules and regulations took their seats in full membership in the Post

Application for Membership

of Otis L. Battles and Charles G. Allen were read and referred to the following committee for examination that of J. Battles Leo A Taylor Ed F. Smith and H B James and Messrs Joseph Lowe, by P H King and John Hall

Reports of Committees

The committee to make arrangements for the Post at the National Encampment reported that they had procured Quarters for the day

Committee on Roster reported progress and their work nearly completed

Voted on motion of S.V.C. Chas. G. Burgess That whereby we voted to indefinitely postpone the matter in relation to the amendment to the by laws proposed by J L Wilber be reconsidered and the following amendment was adopted

Article 7th Section 2

The first three Officers of this Post shall have Charge of the Lot in the Rural Cemetary set apart for the Graves of deceased Soldiers Sailors and Marines

Amendment to By Laws

Comrade McElroy made a motion that some one or two be selected to take charge of the drilling of the Post and as previous appointments had been made after some remarks by different Comrades

Voted on motion of the 2 M. that the whole matter be laid on the table

Voted on motion of the C.D. that the committee on Rosta have 500 copies printed instead of 350 as per previous vote of the Post-

Bills

of H. C. Hathaway was read

Voted on motion of the C.G. that the bill be held on the approval of the finance committee

Number of comrades present 65

Voted on motion of the C.D. that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with-

owing according to the Ritual

S & C Secretary
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Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post No 1
Dept of Mass G.A.R. New Bedford May 21st 1885

Post opened in due form by the P.C.

Officers all present

Records of the last meeting read and approved

2/Lt. made his weekly report cash on hand 385,81

Sick report

C.J. Matthews little better
Weeden Gaining
Kennie as usual
Peters the same
Holden out
Wyllington at work

Go visit the sick

Adj't and C.L.
Marble & Lebaron
G.W. Taylor & Benjamin
King & Morse

Reported sick

Albert Negus reported sick and Daniel Bishop was appointed to visit him

Died

Ebenezer K. Hillen reported as having died May 15th and the funeral at his home on the 17th was attended by the Commander S.V.C. Adj't and Comrade Buckley from here and Comrades from Mattapoisett

and the usual Burial service was had at the grave minus the firing party

Ballot

The committee on the application of Chas G Allen all reported favorably and on a ballot he was Elected

On the application of Chas L Battles the committee made a majority report and
Voted on motion of the Dep the majority report be accepted and on a ballot he was Elected

Applications for Membership of Leo W Soule and James Markey were read and referred to the following committees for examination that of Soule to H K Snipp, C J Bennett and Albert Braley and that of Markey to John Hall Wm Dorling and Joseph Donaghy

Voted on motion of the C. J. that a committee of one be appointed to procure a picture of our late comrade E K Hiller and C. A. S. Hawes was appointed

a communication from Stella Lodge No 46 D of K. Extending a vote of thanks for the use of our Hall on the occasion of the anniversary of the I O O F. was read

The War Maps from the Hon. Charles D. Randall and presented to this Post by Comrade Wm Sanders were shown.

Voted on motion of the S.V.C that we receive the same and a vote of thanks be tendered the Hon Chas D Randall for the gift.

Voted on motion of the S.V.C that the Q.M. procure a suitable case for Maps

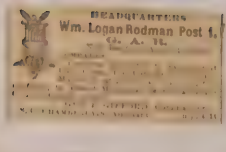
Voted That we send for a sample of Cases

Voted To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting

Number of Comrades present 61

Closed according to the Ritual

S C Chamberlain
Adj



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upon the [illegible] number of 130 under the command of Col Zell, in pursuance with the Memorial Service, and marched to Church and listened to a very able and impressive sermon from [illegible]. [illegible] the [illegible] and after voting thanks to the Rev Edmund S Rousmaniere the members of the Church and the Musical Exchange Band and after listening to some remarks by the Rev J. F. Lovering, Post Chaplain in charge, the G.A.R. who was a guest of Post [illegible] and a number of [illegible] to the [illegible] and to Memorial day were invited [illegible]

[illegible]

July 1

MEMORIAL SUNDAY.

Annual Sermon to Members of the Grand Army.

The Present State of Our Nation and Its Promised Future.

Large Attendance of Veterans at Grace Church Yesterday.

In Grace church yesterday afternoon, the annual memorial sermon to the G. A. R. posts of the city was delivered by Rev. Edmund S. Rousmaniere from the text, Revelation xxi, 26: "And they shall bring the glory and honor of the nations into it." The church was crowded, and many people were turned away. About 130 members of William Logan Rodman Post 1 were present, 10 members of Robert G. Shaw Post 146, and 75 of Richard A. Peirce Post 100. The Sons of Veterans had 20 men in the ranks. The Women's Relief Corps No. 53 attended in a body, and members of the Ladies' Independent Association were also present.

The following was the order of service:

Organ Voluntary.
Hymn—Onward Christian Soldiers,
Choir and Congregation.
The Lord's Prayer.
Versicles.
Responsive Reading.
Scripture Lesson.
Magnificat.
Prayer.
Hymn—God Bless Our Native Land,
Choir and Congregation.
Sermon,
Rev. Edmund S. Rousmaniere.
Duet,
Mr. F. L. Dimon and H. W. Goff.
Battle Hymn of the Republic,
Choir and Congregation.
Prayer and Benediction.
Hymn,
Choir and Congregation.

Mr. Rousmaniere spoke as follows:

"The Amen of Nature," says Dr. Holmes, "is always a flower. In the crevices of Cyclopean walls, in the dust where men lie, dust also, on the mounds that bury buried cities, the wrecks of Nineveh and the Babel-heap, still the same sweet benediction of the flowers." On our Memorial Sunday, my friends of the Grand Army of the Republic, we hear again the amen of nature as we see the flowers springing from the battle-fields of Antietam and Gettysburg and Lookout Mountain. They tell us that the loud war-anthem with its blare of trumpets and roll of drums has reached its close. The bugles sound the truce of God, and the music softens into the gentle amen that sings of the lasting peace of a reunited nation. Not then with sectional hatred in our hearts, not with bitter memories of murderous prison-pens, not with empty boasts of victory over our brethren of the South have we assembled here to honor our martyr-dead. The quarter of a century which has gone by since the last battle flag was furled has taught us better things than these, and it is in the spirit of the War President, "with malice toward none, with charity for all," that we bid one another think at our memorial service of the brave lives spent upon the battle-field and of the nation for which they died. You remember, perhaps, the noble and beautiful verses in which James Russell Lowell, standing in the midst of Harvard graduates gathered to commemorate the fallen soldiers, speaks of the "unalterable good" accomplished by their martyrdom:

"I, with uncovered head,
Salute the sacred dead,
Who went and who return not.—Say not so!
'Tis not the graves of Cæsars that repay,
But the high faith that failed not by the way;
Virtue treads paths that end not in the grave;
No bar of endless night exiles the brave;

And to the saner mind
We rather seem the dead that stayed behind.
Blow, trumpets, all your exultations blow;
For never shall their aureoled presence lack;
I see them muster in a gleaming row,
With ever youthful brows that nobler show;
We find in our dull road their shining tracks.

In every nobler mood,
We feel the orient of their spirit glow,
Part of our life's unalterable good,
Of all our manlier aspirations;
Their lives transfigured back
Before from change in their high-hearted ways,
Beautiful evermore, and with the rays
Of morn on their white shields of expectation."

So by their death—no! rather by their "aureoled presence" with us, do our soldiers of the Republic shed rays of light and expectation upon these present days of national life. In the light of their devotion, their patriotism and their courage, we may read aright the condition of our nation to-day, and judge it for good or evil, and may behold the vision of the future nation toward which God's truth is marching on. In the companionship of this great cloud of witnesses that accompass us, I invite you to think with me of those things which to-day must press upon the heart of every earnest citizen as of every loyal defender of the Republic in her hour of danger,—the present state of our nation, and its promised future. The Southern conception of the nation at the time of the war, was one which could not bear comparison with that lofty ideal which filled the minds of our first statesmen and presidents. The years of peace had brought degeneracy, and the lofty thought that this new nation fresh from God's creative hand might be the embodiment of Divine liberty wherewith God had made his children free, had given place to the material conception of the nation which regarded it as an organization whereby individual rights and mercantile interests might be secured. The South denied the rights of the National Government to interfere with a domestic institution—slavery—which seemed necessary to the comfortable existence and successful business ventures of Southern property-holders. To destroy slavery was [illegible] of its slave-ownership. Just the conscience of the [illegible] seems many neglect the moral evils of slavery is not hard to explain. Says the Comte de Paris: "A fatal demoralization is the just punishment that slavery inflicts upon those who expect to find in it nothing but profit and power." The existence of a great moral evil in a community always lessens in its hardening and deafing of the people's conscience, till its true character of the evil is forgotten.

Nor was the North fully alive to the magnitude of the wrong which slavery was inflicting upon hundreds of thousands of human creatures, or the degrading influence which it was exercising throughout the land. Even Abraham Lincoln in his first inaugural address, says: "Apprehension seems to exist among the people of the Southern States, that by the accession of a Republican administration, their property and their peace and personal security are [illegible] dangered," and adds: "I have no purpose, directly or indirectly to interfere with the institution of slavery where it exists." Slavery seems to have extended its demoralizing effect beyond the territory in which it existed, and to have tainted many minds in the North with the idea that a domestic institution [illegible] the prosperity and comfort of a section of the country must be accepted and endured in spite of its immoral results. Such a material view of the nation, whereby principle is sacrificed to considerations [illegible] is [illegible] tactical instance, dangerous and disintegrating. Individualism asserts itself at the expense of unity—man's heart whispers:

"He is he and I am I. By this we know
That the earth fails asunder, being old."

The danger to which the nation is always exposed by the presence of a material conception of its function is readily illustrated for us in the history of the other divine institutions, the family and the church. Whenever men adopt the material idea of the family and think of it mainly as a means of securing comfortable, polished lives to its members, the success of which is to be estimated by the comfort of to-day and the provision for a luxurious [illegible] for the next generation, there begins at once a process of decay. Loose views of marriage obtain recognition in the community, divorces increase in alarming frequency, and the simpler family virtues of mutual service and self sacrifice are lost. Hanging low upon the horizon of our time, my friends, is the little cloud which threatens the disintegration of our family life. It is the material idea of the family which is beginning to gain power among us. The same law holds good in the history of the church. Wherever the church has been thought of as an organization for the personal security of the souls of her members—in contradiction to the principle of her founder, who declared that if a man would save his life he must first lose it in the service of mankind—the church's conscience has become dulled to moral evil and she has lost her grasp upon the problems of character and destiny. Her influence has diminished and she has become the target for the shafts of a right [illegible] scepticism.

Our nation's greatest danger to-day, after 25 years of peace, is the danger which issued in the war, the reappearance in much strength and vigor of a material conception of her life. It is not uncommon to find men thinking of the nation as a vast corporation; the officers are its national representatives, the stockholders are the people, and its purpose is the material prosperity of its stockholders regardless of moral principle. The claims of individuals and of parties upon this national corporation sound daily in our ears. Power and emolument are sought on every hand. The war cry of the Union has given place to the party shout, "To the victors belong the spoils." Partisanship and the power of patronage taint much of national legislation. Do the stern eyes of those who died at Gettysburg see only this after a blood-won peace of a quarter of a century? Was it worth hundreds of thousands of lives, merely to establish party rules and an overflowing treasury? Not for this did your comrades die my brother-men. Not for this is it worth our while to give our lives to-day. Men bewail the decay of patriotism—men lament that there is no true love of country. But patriotism demands a nobler conception of its country than any material idea can give. Men die for realities; they will not die for gain, nor for material advantage.

Sinking fast upon the field of battle, the sun's red glow lights the pale face of a dying soldier. There he lies amid the carnage and destruction of the fierce conflict. In mortal agony, one thought compasses all his life, from its beginning to its near end. Bright youth and strong manhood, and the happiness of home and wife and children pass before him. Oh! my country, hast thou asked all this? In a moment the last breath is drawn and the sacrifice is complete. On the altar of his country's safety he lies. He died that she might truly live. God accept him, Christ receive him. What was that thought of country for which he died, for which ye press out host of chosen silkeseas, your lives were given? Let the poet tell us:

"O Beautiful! my country, ours once more!
Smoothing thy gold of war-dishevelled hair
O'er such sweet brows as never other wore,
And letting fly thy
Freed from wrath's pale eclipse,
The rosy edges of thy smile lay bare.
What words divine of lover or of poet
Could tell our love and make thee know it,
Or the nations bright beyond compare?"

Fair and beautiful and strong rises that vision of our nation, for which our heroes died. She sits enthroned upon the eternal principles of justice, truth and righteousness. They are the guides of all her legislation. She seeks primarily first, prosperity last. They inspire her dealings with the nations of the earth. Among the wearied peoples of the older land she stands God's new people — his youngest-born, the embodiment of his law of freedom. In her civil life as she turns to the ancient nations which her superior power has dispossessed of land and inheritance, in all her promises there is the ring of truth and in all her deeds the mark of justice. With piercing glance she views her new-made citizen, the race whose enfranchisement cost her the blood of so many faithful sons, and she lifts them by education, by opportunity, by wise and helpful dealing to be manhood for which she is God's chosen champion. Her eyes seem to discover the talent of fair hood in her representatives. She will have care that born steadfast loyalty of their country in her positions of sacred trust and responsibility; and their faithfulness shall find but one reward—the privilege of longer service. The land grows tumultuous with social discontent. The nation seeks to establish not ease or comfort for one class or another, but the [illegible] of labor, and [illegible] rights on capital, knowing that she is practising [illegible] which [illegible] brotherliness, and which are the best reasons.

This is the vision of the nation which the greatest men have always had, this is the one thought of the nation, which on Memorial Sunday we dare to harbor. It is only in the conception of the nation that there is strength and progress and not [illegible]. If at [illegible] dawn one day with its bright stars of truth and justice and righteousness, "among them in the west," for [illegible] other flags of the nations to look for them to delay and [illegible]. My friends, fellow citizens, of the [illegible] nation, let us hold fast to this [illegible] which [illegible] in the sight of our brethren, sacred deaths on the battle-fields of the [illegible] in the zeal of their [illegible] prosperity of equity and [illegible] to guide our [illegible] high. Let the demand of those to whom we entrust the privileges of government that they seek above all else to enthrone principle in the nation's legislature. Let us earnestly to-day take up the work of the Republic's heroes, and save our nation from the false materialism of to-day.

The words of our text look further forward. The apostle's vision is of the consummation of humanity's life. The gates of the heaven's city open, and they bring [illegible] the glory and the honor of the nation. Then by one [illegible] servants of God's will and purpose take their places before the throne. One receives the crown of law, for justice has been [illegible] the world's progress. For one there waits the crown of beauty, for from its [illegible] the whole world [illegible] God's [illegible]. And another shall be crowned for [illegible] a spectator, of [illegible] the [illegible] of many generations. And yet others with the [illegible] the chosen [illegible] [illegible] gathered together [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Rev. J. F. Lovering of Worcester, Past Chaplain-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, attended the [illegible] at Grace church yesterday afternoon as the guest of William Logan Rodman Post 1. After the return of the Post to its hall, Mr. Lovering made brief remarks appropriate to the occasion.

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Headquarters Port No 1
Dept of Mo Fort Bedford May 28/90

Post opened in due form by the P.C.

Officers absent

J.T.C. C.H. Kipley John Hall acting

Records of the last meeting read and approved

2.M. Meades weekly report each on hand 426.91

Reported sick

Charles D. Sherman

Sick report

A.J. Mathews	sore throat
Warden	at work
Perrin	the same
Yates	gaining
Hayes	a little better
Welch	at work

To visit the sick

A.J. Mathews	Chap and Comm
Perrin	Crooker & Welch

Peters — Testing and Chas Penick
Negus — Danl Griffith
Chas D Sherman — O. S. S. H. Carpenter

Declared off the Benefits

Weeden and Haleth

Having a dispensation from Dept H. 2. the following applications were read and referred to examining committees and reported favorably Geo W Soule Jonathan E Cowen Edward K. Roach James Markey Nathan G Briggs Nathan J Knight and on a ballot were elected

The committee on the applications of Otis L Bolles and Charles F Allen reported favorably and on a ballot they were elected

Mustered

Geo W. Soule Jonathan E. Cowen Edward K Roach James Markey Nathan G Briggs Nathan J Knight Otis L Bolles and Charles F. Allen were duly mustered and enrolled in to the F. U. K. and took their seats in full membership in this Post

The case of Peter Peters was reported

Voted on motion of the 2 Vice that the matter be referred to the Chairman of the Relief Committee and Commander of the Post

Bills

From Dept Head Quarters was read

Voted on motion of the Surgeon that the Bill be paid on the approval of the finance Com.

Voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Meeting

Number of Comrades present 85

Closed according to the Ritual

S. L. Chamberlain
Adjt

MEMORIAL DAY.

Honoring Our Soldier Dead With Floral Tributes.

A Glorious Day, Unanimous People, Impressive Ceremonies.

Sentiments of Regard for the Nation's Fallen Heroes.

In the ceaseless march of time there is no halt; but as the steady tramp brings the column annually to the resting place of those who long ago fell battling for their country, or have since dropped out of the ranks, by a custom worthy as it has become general, surviving comrades and grateful friends make a brief pause mid the hurry of life to cast a flower upon the graves of the dead and pay a tribute of respect to their memory.

This day, rightly called Memorial Day, has become the greatest in importance and observance of any of our national festivals or holidays. And when we consider the greatness of the issues for which these fallen heroes fought, and the vast benefits to the Union resulting from their happy termination, it is not strange that this day and custom should become of such universal recognition and observance. It is but the natural expression of gratitude of an appreciative people. The beautiful sentiment expressed by this custom of annually, upon a certain day, covering the graves of those who died for their country with flowers has gradually led into its observance civil organizations and individuals until it has become a national holiday in the fullest sense. The Grand Army of the Republic now has the cooperation of all the people in carrying out the exercises of the day because it is the people's day and one of special interest to all. Although a quarter of a century has passed since the close of the contest which carried off the great m jority of the honored dead, and many years since the establishment of this custom, interest in the day does not lessen. On the contrary it increases and grows in fervor. Nor will it lose any of its interest or significance to the people while this generation lasts.

It has often been said that "Republics are ungrateful." But often those who give the least expect the most in return. The soldiers and sailors who gave up their lives for the country ask nothing in return. But a grateful republic does all that it can in return for their great service, by erecting monuments to commemorate their deeds, all over the land, and by paying continued tribute to their memory through the annual practice of the beautiful custom of strewing their graves with flowers.

The day yesterday was all that could be desired, the weather seeming in full and happy accord with the occasion. A vast throng of people were out and seemed to imbibe the full spirit of the day. Graves were decorated in the various cemeteries by the several G. A. R. organizations or details therefrom, the City Guards, Police department and High School Cadets. The Union Veteran Legion went in a body to the number of twenty-four, in barges, to the Catholic and Oak Grove cemeteries, and the soldiers' monument on the Common.

A squad of forty-five from the G. A. R. posts visited Rural cemetery and decorated the graves there. Commander George P. Gifford of Post 1 read the portion of the ritual prescribed for the day. The roll of honor was then read by Capt. William Sanders and prayer and benediction offered by Rev. C. W. Holden of the County street M. E. church. A detail of thirty men from the posts went to Oak Grove cemetery and placed floral mementoes upon the graves of departed comrades lying in that ground. After this work had been done, the following was the order of exercises:

Selection by the band.
Prayer by Rev. J. S. Swaim.
Address by Capt. Rodman.
Prayer by Chaplain Rev. James Mitchell.
Roll of honor read by Comrade Parker.
Selection by the band.
Address by Capt. Rodman.
Prayer by Chaplain Mitchell.
Benediction by Rev. Mr. Swaim.

A detachment of 20 went to South Dartmouth and left floral tributes on the mounds raised above the remains of comrades buried in the grounds at that place.

At South Dartmouth the detachment of the Grand Army from this city proceeded to the cemetery, where prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Perry, the roll of honor was read by Comrade Joseph Donaghy, officer of the day of Post 1, and the following remarks were made by Rev. George Matthews:

Comrades! Gentlemen of the Grand Army and Navy, we hail you as you come on this Memorial Day with floral offerings to decorate the graves of your heroic, patriotic, sleeping brothers. No duty more sacred, no service more deserving than that rendered in paying this tribute of respect to the memory of those who gave their lives in all the dewy freshness and vigorous manhood to their country, civil liberty and the glorious old flag. Never may there be a star removed, but State after State added till all North and South America form one grand nationality—the poles her axle, the oceans her cradle, the mountains her crown of immortality!

The new graves to be decorated are many, and every year will increase the number. It is to be hoped, while flowers bloom, there will be willing hearts and hands to scatter those floral offerings—Nature's gifts—bedewed with the tears of the nation, over her patriotic sons who gave their lives so willingly for their country—"sweet home"—that all might enjoy the invaluable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. What a nation! What boundless mines of wealth! What a union of States! What a line of Presidents! What civil and religious freedom! What institutions of science and religion! What a history of statesmen, generals, preachers, who have immortalized their names and given to the world America! the wisest, freest, wealthiest, best and most religious nation of the earth.

To have the honor and privilege of such a birthplace, so rich in mineral wealth, such a productive soil, picturesque scenery, such magnificent navigable rivers, so vast an extent of railways, telegraph and telephone lines, intercommunication from the Atlantic to the Pacific, whose waters bathe the Alleghanies and the Rockies; to live in this land and sing, "My country, 'tis of thee!" Who could ask for a more desirable home or country? one for which a patriot might willingly live, and glory to die for its preservation. Such were the comrades whose graves are decorated this Memorial Day. Any esteem, value, honor, put on this nation will make more illustrious the heroic sacrifices of the men who met on the field of battle the foreign enemies and traitors of this glorious nation.

Comrades! I think the Grand Army and Navy of the country, who have fought our battles, conquered our foes, won victories, triumphed gloriously, have claims on the nation which need no eulogy, and when no pension or promotion will satisfy. Among these claimants were my father, brother, son, nephew, cousin. Three of them have heard their last roll call and given their answer. I stand here on the margin line to speak for my country, to cheer and eulogize her soldiers, to pay my feeble tribute to them. Immortalized heroes of the nation, as it may be the last time I shall address you, I pray you be good soldiers of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace. Act well your part for God and the nation. Then a kingdom and crown are yours.

The detail to Riverside Cemetery numbered 30, composed of members of the different G. A. R. posts, and the camp of Sons of Veterans accompanied by Guinn's Drum Corps. The exercises were conducted by squads from Post 1 and 190 and the Sons of Veterans. The roll of honor was read by Comrade James F. Tripp of Post 1. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. Lenoir Hood. Guinn's Drum Corps furnished music.

The Sons of Veterans went to Fairhaven in a body and decorated the grave of Capt. John A. Hawes, in honor of whom the local camp is named. In the forenoon Comrades Smith, Aiken and Broadbent visited the Catholic and Lieut. V. A. Twiss and Private H. G. Borden of the High School Cadets decorated the graves of Lieut. William Bartlett at Rural cemetary, Lieut. Gould at Kempton street cemetery, and Corp. Andrew Mackey in Oak Grove cemetery.

At the Head of the River comrades Israel Peckham, N. C. Briggs, L. A. and F. B. Washburn paid the tribute of respect to the dead buried there.

At the Catholic cemetery the graves of soldiers were decorated by comrades John Welsh of Post 190 and John O'Hara of Post 1.

In Peckham West cemetery the soldiers' graves were decorated by comrades Holder R. Tripp, P. G. Sabens and William W. Hatch.

Comrades John Adams of Post 1 and Benjamin Kempton of Post 190 visited Naskatucket and Woodside cemeteries in Fairhaven, where graves of departed soldiers and sailors were decorated.

The Ladies' Independent Association decorated the grave of Mrs. Etta F. Martin in Rural cemetery.

Senior Vice Commander F. C. Mosher and a squad of seven comrades from Post 190 visited Marion, where they decorated the graves of veterans who have gone on before. The flowers used were furnished by the Ladies' Independent Association connected with the post, and the members of Post 190 by private contributions bore the expense of this feature of the day's proceedings. The squad included J. L. G. Mason, Franklin Ellis, J. N. Smead, T. C. Robbins, C. W. Gelett, G. H. Freeman of Post 190; also Gideon B. Barlow and A. T. Bartlett of Post 1. At Marion they were joined by C. H. Wing, Jr., John Wilber, Oliver Cobb, Albert W. Winters, Andrew Haskell, Alfred Parker, George F. Handy and a number of other citizens. All participated in decorating the soldiers' graves in the several cemeteries in the town. The roll of honor was read by Comrade J. L. G. Mason. The part taken in the decoration of the graves by the school children was very pretty, and the remarks by Rev. R. P. Gardner were excellent. Master George Bacon, the drummer boy, is deserving of especial mention. Among the decorations, in addition to the names heretofore given, were the following: James Warren Blankinship, William G. Cobb and John Pitcher, M. D., chief surgeon in the Revolutionary war; also Andrew M. Allen, private.

THE PROCESSION.

After the solemnities of the forenoon those who had executed the work usually done by the entire membership of the Grand Army took a short rest, and at 1 30 o'clock gathered with their comrades on City Hall square, where was formed the procession, preparatory to making the parade of the day. The line formed in the following order:

Mounted Police.
Chief Marshal Comrade Charles F. Shaw.
Aids: Comrades Leopold Bartel, chief of staff; J. W. Hervey, representing the National Commander's staff; Edwin Dews and T. W. Cook, representing the Massachusetts Department Commander's staff; James L. Wilber, George T. Fisher, R. H. Willis, A. J. Smith, H. W. Mason, E. C. Gardiner, F. B. Nesbett, Joseph M. Simms.
Hill's Band, George Hill leader, 24 pieces.
New Bedford City Guards, Capt. R. H. Morgan commanding, 45 men and two officers.
New Bedford High School Cadets, Capt. E. C. Brennand commanding, 43 men and two officers.
John A. Hawes Camp, No. 35, Sons of Veterans, Capt. Abraham Allen commanding, 33 men and two officers.
William Logan Rodman Post 1, G. A. R., Post Commander George B. Gifford commanding, 113 men and seven officers.
First Company, Capt. William Sanders, 40 men.
Second Company, Capt. John Hall, 33 men.
Third Company, Capt. Patrick Cannavan, 40 men.
Musical Exchange Band, D. J. Sullivan leader, 22 pieces.
Robert G. Shaw Post 146, G. A. R., Senior Vice Commander Zachariah Caldwell commanding, 19 men.
Richard A. Peirce Post 190, G. A. R., Post Commander W. J. Nickerson commanding, 70 men and 7 officers.
First Carriage—Mayor Clifford, Rev. M. C. Julien, Major William Broadhead.
Second Carriage—Rev. Messrs. Matthews, Hayslett, Swain and Holden.
Third and Fourth Carriages contained disabled veterans.
Flower Wagon.

The line of march was through Pleasant street directly to the Common, where was assembled a very large concourse of people.

THE EXERCISES ON THE COMMON.

At the Common the space around the soldiers' and Sailors' monument was roped off, and the military, Sons of Veterans and Grand Army formed in hollow square. The monument was garlanded by a detachment from the posts, and prayer was offered by Rev. J. T. Hayslett of the A. M. E. Bethel church of this city. There were also present Mayor Clifford and Rev. Messrs. M. C. Julien of the Trinitarian church, C. W. Holden of the County Street church, and J. S. Swaim of the William Street Baptist church, and Major William Broadhead of this city, and Rev. George Matthews of South Dartmouth. Hill's Band played an original hymn, and the Musical Exchange Band a Romance by Fleigge.

THE HARRINGTON SCHOOL FLAG.

From the Common the line of march was through Pope, County and Court streets to the Harrington Memorial school-house. A halt was made on the way, where the ever thoughtful members of Z. Hillman Engine Company regaled the members of the procession with cool lemonade. At the school-house only the Grand Army posts, Sons of Veterans and Musical Exchange Band entered the yard. A large delegation of present and past members of the School Committee, Superintendent Hatch and teachers was also present. The programme was the same as previously published. The scholars marched out by rooms and faced the flag-staff, which has been erected at about the centre of the yard on the east. While the scholars were taking position the Musical Exchange Band played the Lodoeska March by R. B. Hall.

Senator T. W. Cook then presented the flag in behalf of the post. As he mounted the platform he was applauded. His speech is printed in full on the tenth page.

The flag was thrown to the breeze by Comrades Peter Dumec and Fred P. Clark of Post 1, and as it was slowly hoisted to the top of the mast and its folds opened, all heads were uncovered. The children and teachers, under direction of Prof. Diman sung the "Star Spangled Banner" very sweetly, to the cornet accompaniment of D. J. Sullivan.

Hon. Walter Clifford, Mayor, spoke as follows on receiving the flag, his remarks being heartily applauded:

Mr. Senator:—On behalf of the city of New Bedford I gratefully accept at your hands as the gift of Post 1, G. A. R., this beautiful emblem of our nationality.

Presented as it is by those who in the hour of our country's peril recked not the cost of what they gave to defend its honor and to secure its recognition among the nations of the earth as a symbol of the truest liberty as well as the power of a government of free men, it should be a gift full of meaning to these children who are to go daily back and forth beneath its stripes and stars in pursuit of that education which is to fit them for the duties of American citizenship.

It should constantly remind them that although the blessings of liberty they now enjoy and all that is symbolized by our country's flag to-day were won by the noble sacrifices of their fathers amid the horrors of war, yet this day and generation demand of them the still higher duty of learning how to preserve their inheritance while pursuing only the paths of peace and by the civilizing influences of education to keep our "Land where the banners wave last in the sun Blazoned with star clusters, many in one," ever foremost in the march of human progress.

The school children sang America, to Mr. Sullivan's accompaniment, and were applauded. Cheers led off by Capt. Charles F. Shaw, marshal, followed, and then Post 1 cheered the children. After being refreshed with lemonade the column reformed and moved through Court, Ash,

Held Lincoln Hall Lodge Room Post No 1
Dept of [illegible] City of June 4 1890

Post opened in due form

Officers absent—

J.V.C. C.W. Kipling John Hall act—

Records of the last meeting read and approved

Q.M. made his weekly report cash on hand 45.56

Sick report—

A.J. Matthews	Not as well
Perrin	Some better
Pettus	Feeling
Negus	Improving
Chas Sherman	Gaining

To visit the sick

A.J. Matthews	E. Lincoln and J.A. Taylor
Perrin	Brainard & King
Pettus	Brown & Forbes
Sherman	E.F. G.H. Carpenter

On being put from date Charles Sherman

Application for Membership

Of Henry J. Purrington John M. Washburn Daniel C. Mowrey and Joseph W. Clark were read and upon to the following committees for examination Purringtons to E. G. Boswell C. G. Burgess and H. K. Lipp Washburns to Wm H. Colwood Joseph Dowsing and Jas H. Carpenter Mowrey to John Holl H. B. Jones Jas. Gaylor and Clarke to C. G. Burgess J. L. Wilbur and K. H. Snow

Reports of Committees

The committee appointed to procure a picture of our late Comrade E. K. Hiller reported as having procured the same

Voted on motion of Com. C. L. That the report be accepted and the picture hung on the wall

Jas H. Gaylor made a motion That the committee of this Post for Memorial Day be instructed to vote to divide the money equally among the three Posts of this city that is to say after paying the expenses of Memorial day

The Commander called the S. V. C. to the Chair and spoke on the Question and offered the following ammendment That the Post leave the Matter in the hands of the Memorial day committee to use their best judgement in the Matter ammendment lost & orginal Motion lost

The adjt made a motion that the money be divided between the three Posts in proportion to the number of members of each Post ammended by the S. V. C. that the committee be instructed to vote to place the money in a fund to be used in unison by the three Posts for Memorial day Expenses

Voted On motion of the 2 Lt that the whole Matter lay on the table one week

The 2 Lt made his report for the month of May and it was referred to the auditing committee

A communication from Geo M Mead Post Dept of Penn asking this Post to sign a certain petition was read

Voted On motion of the S.V.C. that when such petition is received that the Commander and Adj sign the same as the voice of the Post

A communication was received from the New Bedford Athletic Club containing a vote of thanks for the use of our Lot at the late Fair

Voted on motion of John Hall that the committee to procure Head Quarters for this Post at the National Encampment in Boston on the day of the Parade and 12th procure the same on the best possible terms

Voted on motion of John Hall that we cancel the contract for the Hall for drilling

Remarks were made in regard to Drilling and recommending that we procure the Rink for such purpose a few times previous to our going to Boston

Bills of Eliot Thomas and Sons Mercury Pub. Co. Geo H Whipple Supt for drill Wm Howes Josephine Bucking Dept H Q and Edison Electric Light Co were read

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Voted on Motion of the Secy that the several Bills be paid on the approval of the Finance Committee

Voted on Motion of John Holt that we dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the meeting

Number of Companies present 43

Closed according to the Ritual

S G Chamberlain
Secy

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post No. 1
Dept of Mass G.A.R. New Bedford June 11 1880

Post opened in due form by S.V.C. Chas G Bates, Jr

Officer absent Commander and J.V.C.

Geo A Taylor act S.V.C. and Chas A Crooker act J.V.C.

Records of the last meeting read and approved.

Q.M. made his weekly report cash on hand 432.49

Reported sick or disabled

Commander Geo V. Gifford and Chas. H. Jennings

Sick report

A J. Matthews — Mrs. comfortable
Perrin — about the same
Peters — seems better
& D Sherman — better

To visit the sick and disabled

A J. Matthews — Crooker and Taylor
Peters — Sampson & Seamans
& D Sherman — W.C. Gifford

To visit the sick and disabled (Continued)

Commander Gifford Capt and Forbes
Jennings " Sabins " Lambert

Reports of committees on the applications for membership and Ballot on same

The committee on the applications of Henry J Remington John M. Washburn and David C Mowrey all reported favorably and on the ballot they were severally Elected

The committee on the application of Joseph W. Clark asked for one weeks further time

Voted on motion of the Surgeon that their request be granted

Applications for membership of David Hamner Elbert L. Parker Andrew J Haskell and Benj R Deane were read and referred to the following committee for examination

That of Hamner to
Benton James and Taylor Parker & to
Ripley Snow and Canavan Haskell to
Ripley Smith and Reiss and Deanes to
King Kingsley and Forbes

Reports of Committees

The committee on Canes reported with 2 samples and that the same could be procured at 25ct apiece

Voted that the report be accepted

The auditing committee reported as having examined the 2 Mo accounts for the months of April and May had found them correct and approved the same and said reports were ordered on file

Voted on motion of the 2 M. that the committee on Roster present a written report to the Post

Voted on Motion of C. C. Crooker the matter of money left over from Memorial day be taken from the table

An ammendment to the ammendment was made by the 2 M. That the whole matter be left in the hands of the Memorial day Committee with full power to act was carried

Voted on motion of the 2d that the money in his hands donated by Chas S Parsons be placed to the credit of the Relief fund and thanks be tendered the donor

Voted on motion of Long that we adopt the canes brought forward by the committee

Voted on motion of Comrade Forbes that a vote of thanks tendered Kimball and Gaylor for hooks and work done in the anteroom in putting up the same with the ammendment that each receive a written vote of thanks

Voted on motion of Le Crooke that the commander appoint a Librarian to take charge of the Post Library

The Officer of the Day made a motion that we procure 250 canes of the style adopted at this meeting after some discussion and a certain By-law of the Post being read by the 2 M. about appropriating money of the Post over a certain ammount without a two weeks notice the whole matter was dropped

Voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting

Number of Comrades present 43

Closed according to the Ritual

S Chamberlain Adjt

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post No. 1
Dept of Mass G.A.R. New Bedford June 18 1890

Post opened in Due form by P.C. Geo F Gifford

Officers absent

J.Vc. C.W. Ripley John Hall acting

Records of the last meeting read and approved

2.M. weekly report cash on hand 448.49

Special order from Post H.Q. was read

Reported sick

Benj' Hillman and B.H. Arnold

Sick report

C.J. Matthews about the same
Pennie comfortable
Peters as usual
C.L. Sherman no better
Commander Gifford present
L.F. Jennings Jennings

To visit the sick

A J Matthews	Chap and Testing
Peters	Sabins & Kingsley
Sherman	C. S. 2 to Carpenter
L G Jennings	C D and P H King
B H Arnold	Taylor & Sampson

Reports of Committees on applications for Membership and Ballot on same

Of Benj K Deane David Hannee Andrew J Haskell and Alfred L Parker all reported favorably and on a ballot they were severally Elected

On the application of Joseph W Crook the committee reported unfavorably and P M S Wm Hawes withdrew the application

Juniata

Daniel C Mowry Henry H Remington and John M Washburn were duly Mustered and after signing the Rules and Regulations took their seats in full Membership in this Post

Applications of Wm S Coon and John Mulvy were read and referred to Committee for examination That of W S Coon to H B James John Hall and R W Snow and John Mulvy's to John Smith Geo W Taylor and Joseph Donaghy

Reports of Committees

The committee on Roster made the following report

The committee appointed to revise the Roster of the Post have attended to their duty and have had 500 copies (17 pages) Printed at a cost of $19.13/100 and submit the Bill to the Post

Signed

Wm Hawes
C F Burgess
Geo W Taylor

Voted That the report be accepted.

A recess of five minutes was declared by the Commander for the purpose of inspecting the sample names and all comrades who left their names and 25 cts with the Q M. the names would be procured for them

Post called to order

a comrade from Post 62 of Newton
Made some remarks for the good of
the order Also another visiting
comrade was present

Bills

H. L. Dept of Mass Burial Extraction Club
and Paul Howland Jr. were read

Voted on motion of the Sec'y that the several
Bills be paid on the approval of the
finance committee

Voted to dispense with the reading the
minutes of the meeting

Number of Comrades present 57

Closed according to the Ritual

J. C. Chamberlain
Adj't

COMRADES:

The election this evening is one of more than usual importance. We are on the eve of a critical situation when we need the strongest connection with the public and the strongest union among ourselves. Our lease of these quarters is about to expire and we cannot expect to secure them again upon former terms. In confronting such a situation we need the wisest counsels of our most energetic comrades, and the support of all. Upon the officers chosen this evening will devolve unusual responsibilities and a great amount of personal endeavor and a sacrifice of time for the good of the Post.

Our present Commander, at the request of the active members of the Post, has consented to serve another year if the Post requires his services. We cannot afford to have him retire at the present time. The zeal and energy he has displayed the past two years have never been equaled in the history of the Post. You can recall the great event of our 30th anniversary and its heavy expenditures, when he alone raised outside the Post, 75% of all moneys collected, secured the attendance of our city magistrates, Posts from other localities and high officials in our Order, to honor the day as our guests. Who else could have attained a like success? Then recall the greatest undertaking that this Post ever presented to the public, of a week of entertainment—the Cosmopolitan Carnival; the patriotic celebration of Washington's Birthday; the patriotic offer to raise the flag on that day; the recent excursion to Buffalo,—all these grand undertakings resulting in giving fame to our city and glory to our own Post. But this is not all. Unknown to others he has saved our Relief Fund hundreds of dollars and secured relief, both speedy and complete, from the city, in all deserving cases. No former Commander has ever so constantly officiated at funerals of veterans, nor been called upon to consider and aid so many necessitous veterans or the families of deceased veterans. Recall the Christmas dinners given by this Post only last year through his active endeavors. We cannot afford to make a change at the present time. The policy that he has followed has given a high standing to the Post such as no other Post in the organization can equal. Let us therefore lay aside all minor considerations and re-elect him by such a majority as shall give him encouragement in renewed efforts for the benefit of us all, and the organization to which we belong.

CHARLES H. FORBES,
EDWARD T. CHAPMAN,
GEORGE CHASE,
ALEXANDER O. PEIRCE,
R. W. TABER,
GEO. A. TAYLOR,
STEPHEN R. POTTER,
and others.

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post No. 1
Dept of Mop G.A.R. New Bedford June 25. 190

Post opened in due form by P.C. Geo P. Gifford

Officers absent

J.V.C. & W. Kipley John Hall acting

Records of the last Meeting read and approved

2 M. made his weekly report cash on hand 444.91

Reported sick

Commades E. J. Wilson and C.C. Gifford

Sick report

C J. Matthews	about the same
Peters	Comfortable
Perry	no report
Hillman	" "
Benj Arnold	present
C D. Sherman	out
Jennings	present

To visit sick

C. J. Matthews	Canavan and Benjamin
Peters	Forbes " Knigsby
C. L. Sherman	C. G. Geo. H. Carpenter
E. Wilson	J. L. and C. D.
C. C. Gifford	Robertson " Taylor

Died since our last meeting

Comrade Joseph Parkinson June 24th

Committee on the applications of John Mulroy and Wm S. Coon all reported favorably and on a Ballot they were elected

Ballot

Mustered

John Mulroy David Hunnee Andrew J. Haskell and Alfred L. Parker were duly mustered as Comrades of this Post

Reports of Committees

The Fair committee made their report which was as follows

{ Report of the Fair Committee }

Income from all sources		$ 1543.12
Expenses		601.43
Total profit		941.69
Womens Relief Corps	1/3	313.90
Post one	2/3	$ 627.79

Signed in behalf of the committee
Geo. P. Gifford
Chairman

Voted That the report be accepted and placed on file

Voted That the committee on National Encampment have authority to raise money to defray the expenses of the Post in entertaining some other Post Encampment week

Voted That the Treasurer of the Fair ~~Committee~~ turn over to the Relief fund the balance remaining in his hands

Voted That the First two Officers of the Post be a committee to make arrangements for the funeral of our late Comrade Joseph Pockington

A notice of the Bristol County Association of the G. A. R. was read stating that the

next meeting will be held in the Hall of John Rogers Post No. 170 at Mansfield on Wednesday July 9th 1890 at 10.30 o'clock A.M. and requesting the Post to send 10 Delegates. The commander stated that the matter of Delegates will come before the next meeting

The following communication was read

New Bedford June 24, 1890

To the Officers and members of Wm L Kaman Post 4 G.A.R. Having made application for Membership in your Post and been rejected I ask permission to make application in another Post

Respectfully Yours
William F. Sadler

Voted That the request be granted Ayes 7 to 2

A communication from Camp 35 Sons of Veterans was read asking the Post to sign a petition against granting another liquor for a camp in this City

Voted on motion of Geo E. Gaylor that the Commander and Adjt sign a protest

against having another Camp in this city as a voice of the Post The vote was unanimous

Voted That we accept the offer of the Camp as escort to and from Depots on our visit to Boston Aug 12th

Voted on motion of J B Bowman That a written vote of thanks be extended to C B Kimball for hospitality given to Officers and Members of Post 1 who visited Cottage City and took part in organizing Post 201 at that place June 19th 1890

of Slocum Post No 10 Providence R I

A letter was read from John F Maloney #64 North Main St Fall River asking information of William Barrak Geo Elsbree and W H H Welch who were in Co D 3rd Regt M V M. Also letters from C. F. Johns Washington D C and Ferdinand Mullan Annapolis Md asking for Rosters of the Post

Allowed June 30 7/13 Annual 57 #63

Bills

of Welch & Fellows and New Bedford Water Works were read

Voted That the Bills be paid on the approval of the finance committee

Voted To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting

No of Comrades present 75

Closed according to the Ritual S C Chamberlain Adjt

Funeral of Joseph Watkinson

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post 1
Dept of Mass G.A.R. June 26 1890

Agreeable to the call of the Commander the Comrades to the number about 40 met at the Post rooms and under the command of S.V.C. C.G. Burgess proceeded to the residence of our late Comrade Joseph Watkinson where the funeral services was held after which the remains were taken to Rural Cemetary where the usual service according to Ritual was carried out and the Post returned to Head Quarters and were dismissed

F. C. Macomber

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post No. 1
Dept of Mass G.A.R. New Bedford July 2 1880

Post opened in due form by P.C. Geo P. Gifford

Officers absent

P.C. G.W. Ripley — John Hood acting
O.D. Geo H. Carpenter — Gilbert Bailey "
S.M. R.W. Snow — J.P. Lemoine "

Records of the last meeting read and approved

Q.M. made his weekly report cash on hand

Reported sick &c

Frank H. Forbes Joseph Lewis
and Daniel D Benjamin

Sick report

E.J. Wilson — no as to be out
C.D. Sherman — improving
C.C. Gifford — not as well
A.J. Matthews — about the same
P.J. Peters — no better and in very bad
& condition

To visit the sick and distressed

Joseph Lewis	Luscomb and Hall
C. C. Tifford	Braley " King
C. L. Sherman	
A. J. Matthews	Dering and Chaplain
Collin Perrin	Patrick Donavan
P. J. Peters	Kingsley and Parkinson
S. S. Benjamin	C. D. " D. M. S.

Placed on the benefit list from this date

Christopher C. Tifford

Master

Benj. K. Deane and Wm. S. Coon were duly mustered and took their seats in full membership in this Post

Application of Leo B. Ashley was read and referred to Wm. Dering Joseph Donaghy and John Smith for examination

The Memorial Day committee made some remarks in regard to the money left in the hands of the Treasurer of the Funeral Memorial day Committee

New Business

The 2 M made his reports for the month of June and Quarterly reports for the 2 months ending June 30th and they were referred to the auditing committee

a communication from the General committee on transportation was read in regard to passes &c

Voted on motion of John Hall that the guns be turned over to a gunsmith and such as needed be repaired

The commander read a communication from S. Chamberlain tendering his resignation as adjutant and S. M. K. W. Snow was appointed as adjt

Voted on motion of S. F. G. Burgess That after the guns are repaired the 2 M employ some one to keep them in good order

Delegates to Bristol county association received their names with the adjt and certificates was announced by the Commander

Voted on motion of the 2 M that a committee be appointed to procure a picture of our late comrade Joseph Perkins, and the Commander was appointed ~~John Smith~~

Voted on motion of Joseph Donagny that the drill room be opened July 4th from 7 o'clock A.M. to 6 o'clock P.M. and that the Post flag be displayed from Sunrise until Sunset.

Visiting Comrades

Comrade Rhoades from Post 27 Oxford Mass and Comrade Kenyon from Post 17 Pawtucket R.I. made some remarks for the good of the order

Bills

Josephus Buckley Edison Electric Illuminating Co. Geo H Whipple R W Gober & C Chamberlin Eleuthony & Son John Smith and Mercury Pub Company were read

Voted That the several Bills be paid on the approval of the finance committee

Voted To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting

Number of Companions present 51

Closed according to the Ritual

S. G. Chamberlain
Capt

Meeting

Meeting held in the William Tarrant Redman Post on the 4th Inst. Mass. G. A. R. New Bedford July 7th 1890
Post opened in due form by P.C. J. F. Gifford
Officers present S.V.C. Chas. J. Burgess J.V.C.
Patrick Cameron acting D.M. John Smith Jun. A.R. Sisson
Surg. F. A. Parmenter Off. K. W. Dean C. A. J. Donaghy
A. G. G. H. Carpenter S.M. Chas. Sears D.M.S. Wm. Hawes
Records of last meeting was read and approved
D. M. read his weekly report Cash on hand $ 97.01

Gen. Ordrs. 5 From Dept. H.Q. was read and and placed on file

Sick report — To Visit the Sick

E. J. Wilson at home
C. D. Sherman all Right
C. C. Gifford improving slowly — — Chas. F. O. Day
A. J. Smith about same — — Osting & Snell
P. J. Peters " " " — Bates & Carter
Joseph Lewis quite Sick — Duncumber, Woodard
J. Perrin about usual — Cameron & Hinckley
S. S. Benjamin out

Reports of Com. on Application

The Com. on the application Geo. E. Wilbur reported favorably and one ballot was Elected

Muster

Geo. E. Wilbur was duly Mustered and took his seat in full membership of this Post

New application

The application of John Duffy was read and referred to the following Com. for investigation Cap't P. Kennie Patrick Canavan. William Downy

Paid County Convention

The District C. A met at Mansfield to day The Convention was attended by the following delegates from this Post- Commander G. P. Gifford. James Tripp Wm Hayes C. A. Crocker Commander stated the doings of the convention as unimportant Convention meets with post 1st next time

W. R. C Quarterly Report

The report of the W. R. C No. 5 for the Quarter ending June 30 1876 was read and placed on file

D. M. to Purchase two thousand Blanks

Voted on motion of Bro C. Day Seconded that the Post- maintain the Quarter Master in his effort to purchase 2 Hundred Blanks forms in the parade at the coming National Convention in Boston that the Post- take all left on his hand at the price paid, in five months after said Convention

Bills

Bills of Head Quarters Dept. Mass. Shuman & Whitte Were ordered paid on Approval of Finance Committee

Voted to dispense the reading of the roads. No Comrades Present 46 Closed in due form.

F. W. Howe Sec't

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Head Quarters Wm. L. Coleman Post No 1 Mass.
D. A. V. New Bedford July 16 1870
A meeting was held this day by C. C. G. F. Gifford
Officers Present S. V. C. C. F. Burgess J. V. C. John Hall acting
A. A. G. in the absence of Com. A. R. Knapp Chap. D. F. Lawes
Q. M. Thos. L. D. Lemuel Q. G. G. A. Carleton
S. M. C. H. Forbes 2 M. S. Wm. Hawes
Records of last meeting were read and approved
J. Hall read his weekly report cash on hand $4.42,76

Sick report
To visit Sick

C. C. Gifford — improving — S. V. C. C. F. Burgess
A. L. Mathews — not so well — Warden & Canman
D. C. Coles — about same — Ostins & Lombard
Joseph Lewis — little better — Wm Hall & Geo Dupee
Perry — about same — Crocker "
John Mully reported sick — Knott & J. Master

Ballot — The committee on the application of John Dupee all reported favorable and on a ballot he was Elected

Applications of Chas. H. Frye } Were read and referred to
Wm. B. Allen } Committee for investigation

Visit to Chas. H. Frye by W. B. Atwood S. V. C. John Hall
Visit of Henry A. Shurtleff to Eldon Barlow — A. D. — Chaplain
Visit of Wm. B Allen to S. V. C. — A R. Morse — Sea Negus

Badges — The Commander Reported the receipt of badges from Post to Examine to wear on the occasion of the National Encampment in Boston and declared a recess of ten minutes. Then to order and on motion of S. V. C.

Voted to wear the red badge

Voted on motion of S.V.C that the P. Master Lippon of the old altar in the committe room to the best advantage

Communication from John A. Ware and Sons of relief asking for the use of the Post room Sunday evening for the purpose of musical Voted their request be granted

Voted on motion S.V.C. that the anti room be opened from Seven untill nine Saturday evenings

Badges Voted on motion of A.J. Smith that the Commander S.V.C. be a committe to purchase badges

Visitor Comrade Parker of Post 54 Dept of New Jersey made some interesting remarks.

Books in Safe Voted on motion of S.V.C. that all records books &c be kept in the Safe

Boston Committee Intl. Con. Voted on motion of A.J. Smith the Commander have power to add to the Committee to make arrangements for going to Boston May 12 & 13

Reading Records at the Close Voted on motion A.J. Smith that whenly the Post voted to read the records at the close of the meeting be reconsidered Voted on motion of A.J. Smith in regard to reading the records at the close of the meeting be indefinitely postponed

Bills Emily Davis & Geo. C. Bliss was ordered paid on the approval of Finance Committee. No Comrades present 50 Closed according to the ritual R. W. Snow Sec.

Head Quarters Wm L. Rodman Post-No
Lyt. Thos. L. C. R. Newbedford July 28th 1870
Post opened in due form by P.C.-L.P.C. Gifford
Officers present S.V.C. C. S. Burgess J.V.C. C.L. Kilby
L.M. John Smith Sur. H.K. Briggs Chap.
H.P. Loomis Qr M. W.M. Shaw C.G. J. Brayton
P.G. G.C. Carpenter G.M. C.L. Cobb L.M.S. W.H. Howes

Records of last meeting was read and approved
L.M. and his weekly report taken and filed

Sick	What	To Visit Sick
C. C. Gifford	returned	C.G. & A.G. Smith
J. Mathews	about same	J.V. & Chamberlain
P.G. Peters	no letter	Kinsley & Chaplain
Chaplain	about same	Crosby & Bowerman
John Mosley	—	—
Joseph Lewis	Better	Benjamin & Cole

Benefit — John Mosley was placed on the benefit list from this night

Application reported and Ballot — The committee on the application Henry A. Hewett all reported favorable and on a ballot he was Elected The Committee on the application of Charles H. Nye all reported favorable and on a ballot he was Elected

Master — Charles H Nye was duly mustered and took his seat in Lodge ship in this Post after signing the Rules and Regulations

Reports of Committee

2. Master reported that he had the guns repaired and that they were in good order and it was Voted the report be excepted

The Commander as Chairman of the National Convention Committee reported that the Committee recommended having some boxes made & that each Comrade could carry his own rations and cook and carry a tin cup and it was voted on motion of A. J. Smith that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted and that we get handbooks if the Committee can procure them for about the same cost as last year, and also that the Committee procure cups

Restored from suspension

Quarter master reported

Comrade Warren A. Rodges restored from suspension by paying his back dues

Communication

from George A. Custer Post #1 Dept. of Ala. asking for contributions for the Post-Rooms and motion of S. V. C. Burgess it was voted the Communication be received and placed on file

Visitor

Colonel Alvin P. Hovey formerly Department Commander of the Dept of Ind. and past Commander of post one G. A. R. now residing in New York visited this post and made some very interesting remarks

No. Comrades present 57

Closed according to the ritual

R. W. Snow A. A.

Head Quarters Wm. T. Roderick Post one
Dist. Mass. G.A.R.
New Bedford July 30 1870 Post opened on due form
by P. C. Geo. P. Gifford Officers present S.V.C.
Chas. J. Burgess pro V.C. John Hall acct
Q. M. John Smith Sur. M. R. Tripp Chaplain
H. B. James Off. R. W. Howe O. D. J. Dingley
C. G. Geo. H. Carpenter S. M. C. H. Fobes Q. M. S.
Wm. Wood
Records of last meeting were read and approved
Q. M. read his weekly report: Cash on hand $519,28

Sick Relief	To visit the Sick
M. C. Gifford -- not well --	Owens & S. M.
A. J. Mathieu -- quite comfortable --	England & Hall
P. J. Peters -- about same --	Slocum & Bailey
Collins Dein	
John Mosley, -- ~~about same~~ --	Out
Joseph Lewis -- about same --	Aldrich & Simmons

Willard B. Morton and J. F. Gallion were reported Sick

To visit W. B. Morton ---	Denham & O. D.
" " J. F. Gallion ---	Lumbard & Staples

The application of Edward R. Richards was read and referred to the following Committee for investigation John Marble J. H. Wilcox H. C. Slocum

The Commander having a dispensation the Committee retired investigated and reported favorable and on a ballot he was Elected

The Committee on the application of Wm B. Allen for reinstatement all reported favorable and on a ballot he was elected

Muster

Henry A. Shurtleff Edward R. Richards and John Duffee were duly mustered as Comrades of this Post

Corps

Committee on Corps for the use of Comrades going to Boston aug. 12th reported they could be procured for about 27½ cts apiece voted on motion upon the Post procuring buy 200 caps

Audit

The auditing Com. reported having Examined the Q. M. reports for the month of June and the Quarter Ending June 30th 18[illegible] finding them Correct had signed the same Voted the report be excepted and placed on file

Gas. light-Co first-mut in Sept.

A Communication from the Gas light Co. stating that in advance in the price of lighting the hall ⅌ C would be [illegible] ⅌ C. Voted on motion S. V. C. Burgess the Communication be reconsidered and laid on the table until our first meeting in Sept

No Comrades Present 67

Bills

G. H. Wilbur } read and on motion Com. voted paid on
H. J. Winslow } approval finance Com. Voted according to the Tribal R. M. Brown Sec.

Head Quarters W. de Redman Post one Dept. Iowa G.A.R.
New Bedford Aug. 6th 1870
Post Opened in due form by P.C. Geo. P. Gifford
Officers present S.V.C. C.C. Sayers J.V.C. C.D. Ripley
Q.M. John Wait Surg. H.R. Dick Chap. A.B. Jones
O.D. R.W. Wilson O.G. J. Bourne Q.M. Sgt. Constantine
S.M. C.H. Estes Q.M.S. W.H. Hewes

Records of last meeting was read and
approved P.M. read his monthly report cash on hand
$527.81
Gen. Orders #6

Visiting Committee
C.C. Gifford — Asst Sam. — Jas Ingersoll Chapin
C.F. Walker — M Letter — Chapin — Ellis
R.S. Peters — Same — A. Day for V.C.
Wm Fenton — Wm Denham — Abbott
Joseph Lewis — C.H. — Abbott Dunn
W.B. Hosher — At work
A.N. Sullivan — Absent at meeting

Re Application Geo. H. Dexter. Wm C. Cross
and Petition Rec'd of Wm F. King was read and
referred to Committee for investigation
that of Geo. H. Dexter Jo. Barlow
Re M. Tobin Petit of Wm C. Cross to J. F. Tripp
& Benton Sec. Pro Tem Petit of Wm F. King
to P. Cannon & Wilcox. Wm Hatch

The Commander having a letter relative to Committee
to bind indentured and all reported favorable on the
application of Geo. H. Dorr & Wm. C. Evans and
on which they were Elected
The Committee on the transfer Card of Jos. Jenkins
all reported favorably and were elected to serve
Elected
Master — Geo. H. Dorr & Wm. C. Evans were duly
Installed as Comrades of this Post
Geo. H. Dorr Wm. C. Evans and Wm. Jenkins signed the
Roster and regulations of this post
The Quarter Master
read his report for the month of July 1878
referred to the Audit Committee
A Communication from Camp 35 Sons of Veterans
asking for the use of the Hall Sunday evening for
a "Special meeting" and asking for the use of
four rifles on Aug 12th. Voted on motion Capt.
the Communication be received and then request be
granted
A Communication from F. A. Lawrence
inviting the Post to attend an Entertainment
at the Sea Side Pavilion next Wed. evening
which was read. Voted on motion of C. Jenkins
the Communication be received and the invitation
accepted Voted on motion of C. Day that we
Extend an invitation to the W.R.C. No 53 and
Camp 35 Sons of Veterans to visit us at our
Head Quarters in Boston on Aug 12th 1878

Comrade Small of Post 141 Chatham
made some remarks

O. Day made a motion that slide
arms be sent to Wingate to be cleaned
and [illegible] Voted on & lost
D. M. the motion was laid on the table
[illegible] Voted on motion C. D. the Senate bill
be voted on instead of the Finance Com.
No Comrades present 100

Short meeting to the silent
C. M. Comrade Sgt.

Aug 12th The Wm. H. Sodmon Post-one 141 is city
At 6.30 A.M. for the national Encampment held in Boston.
Post-Paraded by The Musical Exchange Band A. 1. Drum Major with about two hundred officers and Comrades of the post-which formed in City Hall Square and marched to the depot and took the train for Boston and took our place on the right of the Massachusetts division, which division was on the left of the column! as Chatham did not take our place in the line of march until about 3 O'Clock owing to the fact that the procession ahead of the Mass. Division Post-one deserves great credit for their great appearance and marching on that day. Post-one carried the flag which "flew at the fore" on Fort Wagner during

Admiral Farragut's portrait-light in mobile Bay in 1864 the flag was kindly loaned us by Lt. Bradford.

Shall be pleased to have visits attended to some under the age of 21 years please to the guild a number days over in Boston for several days

Aug 13th 1870 Read Letter Wm. A. Redman Fall River Mass. G. A. R. and Bradford Aug 13th 70

Roll called without form Officers present Commander F. L. Clifford S. V. C. C. C. Burgess Jun. A. A. Adj't A. H. Minutes records of last meeting was read and approved.

Sick Report

C. C. Clifford - sailing
R. J. Mathews no better
P. J. Peters -- Same
Price --- Same
Lewis ---

Comrades

Sick Visit Committee
Oling - O. Richards

Comrade Bullard reported Sick - S. V. C. Chas Blis

No. Comrade present 10
Council. without form
R. M. Sinnett Adj.

Read Quarter Wm L. Redman #1 dept. mess.
E. A. R. Post Bedford aug 20th 1870
Post opened in due form by P.C. Geo. F. Gifford
Officers present J.V.P. Chas. T. Burgess J.V.C.
P.C.C. Chamberlain asst. S. M. John Smith
Surg. H. H. Tripp Chap. A.B. Symmes C. D.
Joseph Donaghy C. Guard G.H. Crapsuter
S.L. F. W. Shaw S. M. C.H. Forbes S.M.S.
Wm Mears Records of last meeting were
read and approved
S. M. read his weekly report Cash on hand $28.29

Sick Report — To visit the Sick

G. F. Gifford - no letter - Peirce - Brayton
A. G. Matthews - Mr Merritt - C.D. - Chamberlain
Collins Peirce - no report - Kinsley - Wilcox
Joseph Sears " " - Penn Simpson
Peter - same Chas - Hayes
Thomas Wrightington was reported sick - D.S. Hoffman
Comrade Amara Bullard reported discharged
this afternoon aug 20th 1870

Remarks

Reinstatement — Comrade Wm B. Allen was reobligated and reinstated a Comrade of this Post - who signed the rules and regulations

Application — of Alexander H. Bliss was read and referred to the following Committee

For investigation V. P. Geo. W. Carpenter V. Pres.
Grand Secretary R. M. John Smith

Committee

Voted on motion of C. J. Smith the Commander S. W. Commander and Jr. constitute a Committee to make arrangements for the funeral of our late Comrade Amasa Bullard

reconsidered

Voted on motion of C. J. Smith that the motion be duly reconsidered to have but three pieces of music at funerals of Comrades ~~decided~~ be reconsidered. A motion was made by Comrade C. J. Smith to hire the musical Exchange band Comrades to contribute what they would the balance to be paid from Post funds Amended by the Officers Guard that we leave all the subject of music to the Committee of arrangements and funds of the deceased ammendment & carried by the negative motion and carried as amended.

Comrade Hall Post-ten Newberry
" " Sherman Post 126. Mass.
" " Griffith Paulins Post 23 San Francisco
" " James of Chicago ill
" " James - Wisconsin
made some remarks for the good of the Order of Northwestern Ill

Bills

N. A. Winchell was read and on motion of Sec. was ordered paid on approval of Finance Com. Comrade Point 47 Closed in form P. W. Grand Sgt.

Funeral of Amasa Bullard

Head Quarters Wm. L. Rodman Post-no. G. A. R.

New Bedford aug 23 1890

The Post is the number of about forty mustered G.A.R. Posts at the U. Clerk and headed by the Musical Exchange band, 18 pieces marched to the late residence of our late Comrade Amasa Bullard where the funeral ceremonies were performed the funeral director was S. V. C. Com. J. Burgess of this Post. Remains to Oak Grove Cemetery where the military ceremonies of the order were performed. The pall bearers were Gen. O. Pierce James M. Tilton Franklin N. S. Nye Daniel H. Tripp Thomas D. Kingsbury and Edward C. Pierce after the services the post returned to its Head Quarters and was dismissed

R. W. Snow a.j.t.

Head Quarters Wm. L. Rodman Post no G. A. R. dept Mass. New Bedford aug 27 1890

Post Opened in due form by S. V. C. Com. J. Burgess Officers Present C. F. Commander A. F. Caldwell S. V. C. J. Chamberlain Adt. Spe. H. P. Tripp Chap. H. B. Hill Q. M. Chas Smith Adt. R. W. Snow O. D. J. Lennon O. G. Capt. Com. D. M. S. C. H. Taber D. M. S. Wm. Hacker Records of last meeting read and approved D. M. reported cash on hand $309.57

Com. Order No 7 from dept Head Quarters was read and placed on file

With report To Visit the Sick

Comrades (C. C. Gifford – about Same – S. V. C – Benjamin
A. G. Matthews – in " Canman – Lowcomb
Collins Perin – " " Gallum – C. H. Pierce
Joseph Lewis – little better – [illegible]
P. J. Peters – no better Moore – Cross.
Hon. Wightington – better Yates – Tisch

Sister Mather declared of benefit list from this date

Application

of Alexander H. Peirce to be proposed for membership and on motion Elected

Initiated

Alexander H. Peirce was duly Initiated a Comrade of this post and Signed the rules and regulations

Bills

Adelbert Rink and
Geo. M. Whipple was read and on Motion Voted on Motion Bills be paid on approval [illegible]
Committee

Comrade present 43

Closed according to the Ritual

E. W. Crowell Asst.

Head Quarters William Henry Rodman Post one
Dept- Mass. G. A. R. New Bedford Sept 3rd 1890
Post opened in due form by S. V. C. Chas. T. Tingley
Officers present S. V. C. Patrick Canavan not present
S. V. C. Chamberlain Adjt- Surg- D. R. Tripp Q. M.
John Smith Chap. D. D. Jones Asst- R. M. Snow
Officer of Guard Comrade C. G. H. K. Carpenter
U. S. M. C. R. U. Forbes U. S. M. S. Wm Hawes
Reads of last meeting were read and approved
Q. M. reported Cash on hand $27.77

Sick Report — To Visit the Sick
C. C. Gifford — Harding — Canavan & Chamberlain
C. J. Mathews — West Swan — J. R. Nelson & Benjamin
Chas Perrin — " " Chaplain
Joseph Lewis — " " Surgeon
F. G. Peters — " " S. M. & Q. M. de
Wm Nightingale — Scattered — Officer of Guard
Comrade Hawkins reported sick
John Marble reported injured

Committee appointed

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for the funeral of our late Comrade Amasa Butler presented a written report with the bills for Expenses Paid Music $25- 3 Horses $5 also for 2 D. T. & Badge Presented to the Widow Voted, (on motion Surg.) that the report be Excepted

Q. M. read his report for the month of August which was referred to the auditing Com.

A communication received from the Medford E.L. lighting company July 30-1890 and laid on the table until August 1st meeting in Sept. was taken from the table and acted on motion Bro. the matter of lighting the Hall be referred to a committee of three amended that the L.M. be substituted and that he, investigate the several Co, in regard to prices. The amendment excepted by the original motion and Carried

Voted on motion of Comrade Chamberlain a committee be appointed to procure a picture of our late Comrade Thos Bullard Commander appointed S.V.C. Chas T. Burgess

A communication from the Chairman of the Executive Com of W.R.C. 58 asking the use of the Antietam Hall Saturday Evening Sept 13 for a private party.

Voted on motion of Bro. Sprague that the request be granted

Voted on motion of Com. Chamberlain that the matter in regard to Comrade Jno Larkin to the Mass. Gen. Hospital be left in the hands of the relief Committee

Bills

Of the M. E. Band. Mercury Pub. Co. Geo. C. Bliss Electric Lighting Co. Stephen Buckley W.H. Rand was read Voted on motion Bro. The several bills be paid on approval Finance Com. Comrades Pound 37

Closed according to the ritual

R. W. Snow Adjt.

Head Quarters Wm L. Rodman Post-one
department Mass. G. A. R.
Fort Warren Oct. 11th 1880 Post opened in due
form by Post Commander Jno. T. Gifford
Chief Mustering Officer Dept. C. Burgess
J. V. C. C. C. Chamberlain Asst. Chaplain
U. S. James Surg. U. R. Vols. 2. M. reported with
1 Sgt. R. R. Davis C. 2. Light Company C. S.
V. V. Engineers S. M. C. U. States 2. M. S.
Wm Hawes
Records of last meeting were read and approved
2. M. reported each one present Mbrs. 480, 444

Visit reported Sick reported Sick
C. C. Gifford — no letter — Chaplain D. Chamberlain
C. F. Mathews — about same — V. V. C. Collins
Collins Bain — little better — Taylor, Richards
Joseph Lewis — no report — John Hall
J. G. Tilton — about same — Miller, Doyle
Samuel Hawkins — Same reported Sick 2. M.
John Marks — gaining —
Fort Washington inspecting — C. S. 2. M. Engineers
Wm P. Hall reported Sick
Chas reported Sick 2. M. S. Wm Hawes

James Hawkins
John Marks } were placed on the benefit list-one month

Report of Committees
The delinquent Com. read the following report
Visit- 5th Voted at a meeting of your Com. on the
above date it was recommended that the

following named be dropped from
suspended be dropped, Michael Pinderville.
Henry S. Snyder, Charles C. Peirce, Charles H. Allen,
Sidney Smith, Wm W. Taylor.

It is further recommended that the following
named be reinstated for non payment of dues
Col. Wilcox, Phillip H. Hull, Geo. C. Palmer
and Elisha Rathbun.

Moved in behalf of Com.
John W. Footman
Chairman

Voted on motion of Comrade Gen. A. Snyder the report
of the delinquent Committee accepted and their
recommendation adopted

The Commander a committee of one
to procure a picture of our late Comrade
Joseph Parkinson Comrade Gen. A. Snyder with a picture
Voted the report be received the picture Excepted and
hung upon the wall

A communication
from Wm Hoffman M. R. C. No 53 inviting
this Post to attend their anniversary in Turn
hall evening of Sept 11 at 7 P.M. read
and voted on motion S. V. B. that J. Burgess the
Communication be received and the invitation
accepted That guard under command
for the good of the order

a few remarks of Comrade
James of Wisconsin and then were Listened to
With interest

dropped
Susp. Ltd
Committee on publishing Roll reported progress
Picture
Communication

Referred to next Session

Voted on motion of Comd. J. H. C. A. C. Chamberlain that the R. Master be impowered to carry the terms of the Legend of Erin Hall namely to pay one half of the bills to fix up and put in order the entertainment point-passed &c.

Carpet.

Voted on motion of Comd. C. M. Cobb the R. M. procure a carpet to cover Space behind the adjt.'s R. M.'s desk

Voted on motion R. M. that he also procure a carpet to place behind the R. M. R. M. S. desk

Carpet.

Voted on motion Comrade A. F. Caldwell the R. M. have, the carpet mended in front of the Chaplains Chair

Bills

of William Haines
Josephus Buckley
E. Antrim & Sons

Was read

and Voted on

motion adjt. the bills be paid on approval of Finance Committee

Comrades Read 89 Closed according to the Ritual

The remarks of Comrade R. W. Shaw & C. Gallein were in the interest of raising a band for Music from the post or Sons of Veterans

R. W. S. adds

refused the use of Faneuil Hall for a meeting to consider the outrage. Kansas was bathed in the blood of the citizens of every state, yet the nation did not awake to the magnitude of its iniquity. The assault upon Sumner did indeed arouse a thrill of indignation; but when later John Brown pointed the path of duty from the scaffold he was jeered at as a maniac.

The outbreak of the war itself, even, failed to open the eyes of the nation to the true nature of the crisis, and for more than a year it was fought for no higher object than the restoration of the very order of things which had made it inevitable. It was not until 1863 that the first regiment of colored troops was placed in the field, and, even then, it was months before the old prejudices could be so far overcome as to make their pay the same as the others'.

And so the nation groped along in the darkness, and the red hand of war grew heavier day by day. Even the irreverent can scarcely fail to see the scourge of the Almighty in the train of defeats and disasters that marked the earlier years. Success then would have brought with it no victory over evil, no purification from the stain of crime. The light of the new day had not begun to dawn. The scales were not yet removed from the people's eyes. Only here and there a rare soul saw the end to which the struggle must come. Of these was Whittier, who sang:

"We wait beneath the furnace blast
The pangs of transformation.
Not painlessly does God recast
And mould anew the nation.

In vain the bells of war shall ring
Of triumphs and revenges
While still is spared the evil thing
Which severs and estranges."

Of these also was Lincoln, although the light did not come to him in the beginning; for he wrote to Horace Greely after the war had begun: "My paramount aim is to save the union; if I could save the union without freeing any slave I would do it." But his clear and sagacious eye early caught sight of the only beacon that would guide to the haven of peace. It was his proclamation of emancipation that struck for the first time the key note of success. From thence forward he never faltered. "Fondly do we hope," said he at the close of his second inaugural, "fervently do we pray that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away. Yet if God wills that it continue until all the wealth piled by the bondsman's two hundered and fifty years of unrequited toil shall be sunk, and until every drop of blood drawn with the lash shall be paid for by another drawn with the sword, as was said three thousand years ago, so still it must be said that the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether."

But at last the nation's cup of bitterness was full. Its sin was washed out in blood. The great tragedy was complete. And when the glad sun of peace arose, it beamed upon a land, weary, worn, and bleeding, but upon a land where the clank of the slave chain should be heard again nevermore.

Memorial Day is a pledge that the lessons of this tragedy shall not go out of the memory of Americans. Must it ever be that man shall learn the story of wrong doing from experience alone? Did the horrors of the French Revolution cause only the Bourbons of France to tremble? Was the handwriting on the wall read by Nebuchadnezzar alone? How long shall it be that each people for itself alone shall be compelled to read the decrees of eternal justice in letters written with its own blood? What says Russia? The iron heel of a cruel despotism is on the nation's neck. Will the czar continue to shut his eyes to the certain doom that waits upon his persistence in injustice? What says England? Peacefully and in due season, without loss of life or treasure, she removed the stain of African slavery that with us had at last to be purified by fire. How shall she deal with the wrongs she has committed upon Ireland? Shall the wisdom of her past illumine her path in her present peril?

But we do not need to look abroad. In our own firmament, so lately clarified by the lightnings of war, dark clouds are looming up, big with the disaster that is born of injustice. We congratulate ourselves that we have struck the shackles from the slave; but that is not the whole of the duty we owe. His freedom has found him prostrate and helpless, weighed down by the darkness of the ignorance which a century of bondage has imposed upon him. He is entitled to the nation's help to set him upon his feet, for it was the nation that cast him down. His former masters seem determined to ignore the rights of his citizenship. The boast is openly made in words, the wickedness of which the sugar-coating of florid eloquence does not hide, that his dearly bought freedom shall become a delusive mockery, and that he shall remain a slave in all but the name. The outrage, the violence, the fraud that have characterized the treatment of the freedman by the south during the last twenty years no longer require to be proved. They are defiantly admitted. And there are not wanting on our side signs of the same spirit of timid subserviency that clouded the merits of the issue in the darkened years before the war; that sort of politics that looks after the trimmings, the outside of the sepulchre, that thinks more of votes than of principles. History is indeed repeating itself. It has become fashionable in some circles to prate of the era of good feeling, and to deprecate the agitation of questions that may raise sectional questions, while making light of the radical conditions that must precede any permanent unification.

How shall the issue be met? Have we so soon forgotten the lessons of yesterday? Have we not learned that oppression and injustice cannot be smoothed over nor condoned? There is but one path that points to peace. All others lead to the morass. There is but one remedy. The eternal justice of the Almighty will accept nothing less than the full measure of exact and equal rights to every man that stands beneath the shelter of our flag.

I am confident, however, that your labors and sufferings, that the lives of your comrades, have not been in vain. The solemn exercises of this day, the bright flowers that grateful hearts have strewn over yonder graves are a testimonial that the lessons of the great tragedy have been engraved in imperishable letters upon the conscience of the nation. Your comrades have offered the expiation of their blood that the nation might be redeemed from injustice. It was not a fruitless sacrifice. A regenerated people, exultant and proud in the new and better growth which that sacrifice made possible, its redemption accomplished, its debt to humanity paid, reaching forward to the illimitable possibilities which the practice of virtue shall open to it, will by its loyalty to the cause of freedom and equal rights to all its citizens, honor the obligation it owes to you and them, so long as the sentiments of gratitude find a place in human hearts.

Memorial Day Verses.

In the heart of a southern forest,
Where the feet of man ne'er tread,
Is a grass grown mound that marketh
The resting place of the dead—
Here in a sleep so hushed and deep,
Where but soughing branches wave,
And the autumn rain with a sad refrain
Falls down on an unknown grave.

He went out in his brave young manhood
To fight for his country's cause,
And suffer through toilsome marches—
E'en die to maintain her laws.
He battled well—let history tell
Of the noble life he gave;
But he rests today—so far away—
Alone in an unknown grave.

This unknown grave is hallowed ground
To some maiden who loved him best—
The father who gave his only son—
The mother who hushed him to sleep on her breast.
He was his parents' joy, but they gave their boy
Their country's flag to save.
They mourn him still, but 'twas the Father's will—
He sleeps in an unknown grave.
* * * * * * *
Such graves are many, away in the south—
Away from the childhood home
Of many who died—the true and tried
Whose loyalty sealed their doom.
So let us now to their memory bow,
And our Father's promised mercy crave;
All honor, then, to the many men
Who fill an unknown grave.
—John J. W. Reynolds in Omaha World.

OUR COUNTRY'S FLAG.

Senator Cook's Tribute to the Stars and Stripes

At the Presentation to the Harrington Memorial School.

A Gift from the Grand Army to be Loved and Honored.

Twenty-five years ago the City of New Bedford had sent three thousand and two hundred of her sons (nearly one sixth of her population at that time) to join the army and navy of the United States in the war against treason and rebellion. Of those not one half ever came back. And now, the most who did have gone.

"To join
The innumerable caravan that moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death."

Of the few who are left, the most are members of the several posts of the Grand Army in the city, who number but between three and four hundred men.

Only a few over one hundred out from each thousand are here with us today, many of whom are permanently disfigured and disabled by wounds received or sickness received in the service. And it is not here alone that such devotion was made manifest to a purely patriotic and loyal cause, but everywhere throughout the loyal states each city and each town furnished its quota of the millions of these who went to make up the proudest and grandest army the world has ever seen. You search the pages of history in vain for such another voluntary offering to be sacrificed to the integrity, the honor and glory of a nation, and for the only purpose of the preservation of those institutions under which we have become a free and happy people.

This great sacrifice was offered on the altar of the republic for its own salvation, and to maintain the dignity of the flag, the emblem of our independence, the pride of our civilization and the banner of our liberties and hopes.

The union of the United States was threatened to be dissolved, the flag had been fired upon and dishonored at home and was likely to fall into disgrace abroad.

This flag was the banner of freedom which had floated proudly upon the land and upon the sea for nearly a century over a prosperous and independent people!

It was unfurled at the Battle of Brandywine in 1777. The thirteen stars and stripes had witnessed the operations against and the surrender of Burgoyne in October of that year; had helped to cheer the patriots during the terrible winter at Valley Forge; waved at the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown in 1781; looked down upon the evacuation of New York in 1783, and took its part in all the glories of the later days of the Revolution, with its thirteen stripes and stars for every state. The new constellation of the west had been present on all occasions of public rejoicing, had been displayed upon public and private buildings, upon flag staffs and hickory poles and across the streets in every town and village in the land, had been carried upon the sea to all the nations of the earth proclaiming liberty, prosperity and happiness.

It had led the soldiers to battle. It had followed the hero to the grave and wrapped him in its ample folds in the last offices to the dead.

Of all the emblems of festivity and rejoicing it was the most cheering; of all the accompaniment of sorrow and of death the most appropriate.

This was the flag which had been shot down at Fort Sumter and for which the rebel rag without a history, the emblem of nothing but treason and rebellion, was to be substituted and set up. But howmuchsoever the old flag was honored at home and abroad, however much it had become endeared to the hearts of the people, whatsoever emotions were kindled by its display in the bosoms of patriots here and patriots everywhere, all was as nothing to the lustre of "Old Glory," as it was called, when by its baptism of fire it emerged from the smoke of the four years war of the rebellion. New states had been added to the already brilliant constellation of the western hemisphere and the old stars and stripes had been burnished up by the strife and experiences of the war.

Old Barbara Frietchie's work was over. Her flag had been displayed to rebel troops in the streets of Frederick, and more loyal flag raisings followed immediately upon the fall of Fort Sumter than in the half century which had preceded that event. They went up as if by magic in every city, town and village; on forts, from steeples, public buildings, and flag staffs; and everywhere it was hailed with shouts and cheers, the firing of cannon and the beating of drums. The cause was worth the sacrifice, nor was it made in vain. With the flag in his hand the soldier went to raise it where it had fallen and been trampled under foot by those who were once proud of its history, who had prospered under its protection, and whose pride it should have been to shield it from dishonor and disgrace. We brought it back not trailing in the dust, every stripe washed with blood, without a stain of treason or any pollution of slavery, and every star by our victories made more resplendent and glorious. Its fate hung for a little while trembling in an awful balance. It has had its night of sorrow out of which it has emerged into a morning of joy.

Every nation has had its national emblem, every tribe, its standard around which to rally, to be borne forward in its marches, and raised aloft in its battles. The crescent was the ensign of paganism and the Saracens, as the cross was the chosen symbol of Christianity and the Crusaders. The Roman eagles were borne before the sons of Rome who came to civilize as well as conquer, and the golden eagle of France was carried by the legions who were led by Napoleon to victory and glory. The flags of the several nations have in general been adopted probably without much ceremony or formality. They have originated from some device of a chieftain, and been carried by a tribe, by whose victories they have become identified with a people or a nation.

Since the first settlement of the country, besides the royal standard of Great Britain several devices have been used, of which the pine tree and the rattlesnake were the most common. Instances of the use of these in 1775 and 1776 could be multiplied almost without number.

The motto on the pine tree flag was usually "An Appeal to God" or "An Appeal to Heaven"; that of the rattlesnake was always, "Don't tread on me." The God of our fathers was the God of Battles in whom they trusted, and to whom, in trial and in danger, they always made appeal. The rattlesnake was emblematic of wisdom, but quiet and harmless unless trod upon. Sometimes the tree and the snake were combined with their mottoes on the same flag; and the snake was sometimes seen in the act of striking, on a field entirely covered with the thirteen stripes. The grand union flag of 1776 was the tri-colored American banner not yet spangled with stars, showing the thirteen stripes of red and white in the field, and the united crosses of St. George and St. Andrew on a blue ground in the corners. This, if any, was the flag carried by the patriots at the battle of Bunker Hill. The new striped flag was hoisted for the first time over the camps at Cambridge in January, 1776, was inaugurated by Washington, and saluted with thirteen guns and thirteen cheers. The Stars and Stripes were adopted by congress in June, 1777, but they had been in use for nearly a year before the act of congress, a committee of congress of which Washington was one having engaged Mrs. Ross of Philadelphia to make the flag from a rough drawing which was redrawn by General Washington and presented to her in June, 1776. This was the first star spangled banner so far as is known that ever was thrown to the breeze.

The honor of having first hoisted this flag in a British port after the treaty of peace belongs to the ship Bedford of Nantucket and owned by William Rotch of New Bedford. The honor of having bravely and nobly defended it in the war of 1812 also belongs to New Bedford, to which must also be added the honor of sending so many of her brave sons to save it from dishonor and disgrace. The only change made in the flag since the adoption of the Stars and Stripes is that another star is added to the brilliant constellation when a new state is admitted into the American Union.

The flag is not in and of itself an object of adoration or worship; we bow down to no idols, we have no crescent like the Mahomedans, no ball of fire like Japan, no elephant like Siam. Neither is it any holiday flag to gratify our vanity or indulge our love of display. It is the idea which it represents, the history which it tells, the history which it repeats, the glory which it manifests, the pride it justifies, the hope which it inspires. It is a solemn national signal. The thing of cloth with its stripes and stars has ceased to be material and perishable, it has been translated and transfigured. It has become immortal. The imagination in its wildest flight cannot conceive of any meaning which it does not have. Its stripes are the blended emblems of war and of peace, the poetry of the republic; and its stars are the emblems of union, liberty and glory, and the stars are the poetry of heaven. It is the flag for which we fought, and the lessons of which we would hand down to our children through all generations; we would place it upon every school building in the land, that our sons and daughters may love, honor and revere it as they love and honor those whose blood bought it, and whose courage saved it.

It is from such considerations and for these reasons, that at the recent fair of William Logan Rodman Post 1, Grand Army of the Republic, it was voted to present the flag of the United States of America to the school which should receive the largest number of votes. The choice fell to the Harrigton school, and we are here with appropriate ceremonies to fix it to its staff and unfurl it to the breeze. It is a gift from the Grand Army contributed by the children from all the schools, their parents, teachers and friends. It is well that the children should love and honor the flag of which the fathers have been proud; which incited them to loyalty, which stimulated them to glorious deeds in the dark days of the earlier and later republic; which encouraged them to venture all things, endure all things for their country and for those institutions which they loved; for which they had shed their blood, and which they wish to bequeath untarnished to those who should come after them.

Today, as upon every returning anniversary since the establishment of Memorial Day as a legal holiday, we have marched in solemn procession, to decorate with flowers the graves of those soldiers and sailors who either fell in their heroic efforts to sustain the flag and maintain the honor and glory of the republic, whose remains lie within our borders; or, having fought the good fight, come home at last to enjoy for a longer or shorter time, the blessings which liberty gives to peace and have gone to join their comrades in the Grand Army above. We owe it to their memory to honor the flag under which they marched, in sight of which they fell, and whose folds became their fitting and appropriate winding-sheet. And what more suitable act than that this gift of the Grand Army should be displayed and flung to the breeze from the building which received its name in honor of him whose loyalty there is no doubt; who loved the schools and the country which made such blessings possible, whom the children loved as a father, and the people dedicated to honor. And now, Mr. Mayor, as the representative of William Logan Rodman Post 1, Grand Army of the Republic, I present this flag of our country to you, the representative of the city, of the school committee, and the schools. And in the language of that loyal and eloquent preacher whose spirit even now may be witness of these ceremonies, I ask you to accept this flag in all its fullness of meaning. It is not a painted rag. It is a whole national history. It is the constitution. It is the government. It is the free people that stand in the government on the constitution. Forget not what it means, and for the sake of its idea be true to your country's flag.

"So fashioned our fathers the Flag of the Union
While glads every wave of the world-washing seas;
Revered by each man in our patriot communion,
The handsomest banner that rides on the breeze."

DECORATION DAY.

'Tis not the muffled drum's sad tone
Falling upon the ear—
It is not war's fierce bugle blown,
Waking the echoes clear—
'Tis holy sorrow mixed with pride
That leads this grand array,
For those who for their country died—
'Tis Decoration Day.

What reck we of the buried past?
'Tis drowned in Lethe's wave!
But still a spell is round us cast,
That binds us to the brave—
To those who struggled and who fell,
To make a nation grand;
And passed through war's wild, maddening swell
To ransom our loved land!

Peace to their souls! The strife is o'er
And freedom's battle won;
We meet as friends—as foes no more;
The North and South are one;
And o'er their graves while sunlight shines
Above the Blue and Gray
In love we meet in sorried lines
On Decoration Day.

But still the heart a throb will feel—
A pang of love and pain,
While by each lonely grave we kneel—
The comrades of the slain.
We know how well they fought and died,
How brave, how great, how proud;
Their grave the vale or green hillside,
The starry flag their shroud.

Fresh flowers the mother's loving hands
Above her boy will strew;
The wife, whose love unaltered stands,
Though shadowed by the yew,
The sister and the child shall bear
Flowers to the loved ones' clay,
And from their lips fall praise and prayer
On Decoration Day.

The choicest flowers that spring can bring
We'll plant above each tomb;
The sweetest songs our heart can sing
Shall lighten deepest gloom;
And wreaths of laurel for our braves
Who fought and passed away
We'll lay upon their honored graves
On Decoration Day.

Rest in the soil your deeds made free!
Your love was true and brave,
Shown in the strife for Liberty
That could not own a slave.
Rest, ye brave souls! fresh flowers we'll spread
Above your sacred clay;
Peace to the souls of our brave dead
On Decoration Day.
—William Geoghegan in New York Evening Sun.

How to Cross a River.

Col. Weer, at the head of his division, arrived at White River, Ark., at night and found the stream impassable. The recent snow had gone off with a rain, raising the water very fast, and the whole army was hurrying off by forced marches to cross the river before it rose, as it was so low as to be fordable; but, with all his haste, his forces were too slow. Col. Weer ordered Capt. Stockton to cross his battery "as soon as possible." The captain asked, "Where are the boats?" Col. Weer, determined to beat Gens. Schofield and Herron, who marched upon two other roads, replied: "Make them, sir, the quickest way possible!"

Capt. Stockton took two wagon beds of his mule wagons and covered them with tarpaulins, and, making a cable out of prolongs, was crossing his battery within two hours. The next morning the rope across the stream broke, and all attempts to get across by swimming horses and tying it to mules' tails failed, when Stockton drove a plug into a shell and fired the rope across. His lieutenant on the opposite shore ran and picked it up, and all things went on swimmingly again. This boat was loaded and a trip made in ten minutes. The boat was in constant use four days, and not a single accident happened.—Anecdotes, Poetry and Incidents of the War.

SWEARING A CONTRABAND.

Specifications of an Oath Not Set Forth in Any of the Statutes.

Company K, of the First Iowa cavalry, stationed in Tennessee, received into their camp a middleaged but vigorous contraband. Innumerable questions were being propounded to him, when a corporal advanced, observing, "See here, Dixie, before you can enter the service of the United States you must be sworn."

"Yes, massa, I do dat," he replied; when the corporal continued:

"Well, then, take hold of the Bible," holding out a letter envelope upon which was delineated the Goddess of Liberty standing on a Suffolk pig, wearing the emblem of our country. The negro grasped the envelope cautiously with his thumb and finger, when the corporal proceeded to administer the oath by saying:

"You do solemnly swear that you will support the constitution of the United States, and see that there are no grounds floating upon the coffee at all times."

"Yes, massa, I do dat," he replied; "I allers settle him in de coffee pot."

Here he let go the envelope to gesticulate by a downward thrust of his forefinger the direction that would be given to the coffee grounds for the future.

"Never mind how you do it," shouted the corporal, "but hold on to the Bible."

"Lordy, massa, I forgot;" said the negro, as he darted forward and grasped the envelope with a firmer clutch, when the corporal continued:

"And you do solemnly swear that you will support the constitution of all loyal states, and not spit upon the plates when cleaning them and wipe them with your shirt sleeves."

Here a frown lowered upon the brow of the negro, his eyes expanded to their largest dimensions, while his lips protruded with a rounded form as he exclaimed:

"Lordy, massa, I never do dat. I allers washes him nice. Old missus mighty 'ticular about dat."

"Never mind ole missus," shouted the corporal, as he resumed: "And you do solemnly swear that you will put milk into the coffee every morning, and see that the ham and eggs are not cooked too much or too little."

"Yes, I do dat; I'se a good cook."

"And lastly," continued the corporal, "you do solemnly swear that when this war is over you'll make tracks for Africa mighty fast."

"Yes, massa, I do dat. I allers wanted to go to Cheecargo."

Here the regimental drum beat up for dress parade, when Tom Benton—that being his name—was declared duly sworn in and commissioned as chief cook in Company K, of the First Iowa cavalry. —Selected.

The Soldier's Tear.

Upon the hill he turned,
To take a last fond look
Of the valley and the village church,
And the cottage by the brook.
He listened to the sounds
So familiar to his ear,
And the soldier leaned upon his sword,
And wiped away a tear.

Beside that cottage porch
A girl was on her knees;
She held aloft a snowy scarf
Which fluttered in the breeze.
She breathed a prayer for him—
A prayer he could not hear;
But he paused to bless her as she knelt,
And he wiped away a tear.

He turned and left the spot,
Oh, do not deem him weak!
For dauntless was the soldier's heart,
Though tears were on his cheek.
Go watch the foremost ranks
In danger's dark career;
Be sure the hand most daring there
Has wiped away a tear.
—Anonymous.

Robert Browning and Mrs. Browning were among the early advocates of equal rights for women in England.

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THE TRAGEDY OF THE REBELLION.

Review of the Characteristic Features of the Contest.

The Most Remarkable War Ever Waged by Mankind,

A Means of Purification of the Republic From Crime.

Oration by Hon. H. M. Knowlton at Liberty Theatre.

Civilization, even in its highest development, has not been able to eradicate the passion for war. The instinctive, universal, and dominating fondness of mankind for contests of all kinds, whether physical or intellectual, the friendly competitions of sport, or the deadly struggle of foes, finds its supreme gratification in the hostile encounter of armed battalions. "The mad game of war," to the actor no less than to the spectator, and to the historian and the poet as well, is the most fascinating, the most absorbing, I had almost said the most glorious of all human employments.

In vain does reason urge the wiser statesmanship that achieves its ends by the arts of peace and without the resort to arms. In vain is the testimony of history to the disaster, the expense, the suffering, the demoralization which war engenders; in vain the commands of that golden rule which we profess to adopt as our guide and standard. The nature of man may be softened and refined, but it cannot be transformed. The savage that is in him still, and which no civilization can wholly extinguish, will yet yearn at times for the riot of the battle-field.

Every age and condition of life shares in this universal passion. No toys or games so please the lad as his tin sword and gun, and the feather in his cap; no spectacle so fills his eye as the pomp and trappings of soldiery. No music so thrills the inmost soul of manhood as the drumbeat and the bugle call. The sweetest reminiscence of the aged sire is that which takes him back to his soldier life, as he shoulders his crutch and shows how fields were won. Nay, even the tender and delicate flower of woman's love bestows its most precious fragrance upon the hero of the battle-field; and no courtier by the maiden's side is half so dear to her as the lover who is away at the post of danger.

As we turn over the pages of the history of the world, secular or even sacred, we find it to be almost exclusively the history of its wars. The turning points, the decisive crises in the life of all powerful nations have been their great battles their Marathons, their Hastings, their Bunker Hills. The chief rewards of the world have been bestowed upon her soldiers. To the statesman, the orator, the philanthropist, she has given her reverence and esteem; but the man who has been great in battle, she takes to her heart of hearts, and bestows upon him the wealth of her affectionate regard. Distinction in the paths of peace brings its measure of reward; but it is as true in even this advanced age as when the poet wrote it, that

> "To overcome in battle and subdue
> Nations and bring home spoils with infinite
> Manslaughter, shall be held the highest pitch
> Of human glory."

This very anniversary, unique in its character, a soldiers' memorial, when under the sanction of law the busy wheels of industry are stopped, the marts of traffic are closed, the courts and schools pause in their work, while the nation stands with reverent grief beside the graves of those who fell a quarter of a century ago on the field of battle, bespeaks the supreme place which the soldier holds in the hearts of his countrymen.

Of course as followers of the gospel of Him who said, "Love thine enemies," we look forward with eager eyes to the glad day when nation shall not rise up against nation, and wars shall vex the earth no more. But I am not one of those who look upon war as without its compensations. Indeed, I am not sure that in my secret heart, to which I cannot play the hypocrite, I regret that our first progenitor was driven forth from the peaceful monotony of Eden to a world of unending strife. I love a fighter, and so does all mankind. Great as are the miseries that war entails, it is, yet, not an unmixed evil. If it arouses the worst passions, it also develops some of the noblest traits of character, Patience, endurance, self-denial, discipline, obedience, courage,—these are the attributes of a good soldier. But they are also the very levers that move the world. They are the conditions of all progress, all success. "Few men," says Emerson, "know the meaning of the word intense, or have occasion to use it in any of the experiences of their lives." That this is so of those who have trodden only the stormless paths of peace I will not deny. Not so, however, of him who has faced the fire of death. The intoxication of blood, the delirium of the bayonet charge, have revealed to him the depths of human passion, the height of human enthusiasm. To learn the rigid discipline of military life, to endure the hardships of the march and the camp, to stand firmly in line with his fellows while the bullets of death hiss by his ears,—these are schools that develop the very traits of character that have given to the world its civilization. The bravest soldiers are the best citizens. The nations that have been most powerful in war have almost invariably been most successful in the arts of peace. It is not alone from motives of gratitude that responsible positions in politics as well as in business are entrusted to the veteran. They are a tribute as well to his steadiness of nerve, his firmness of mental fibre, his fearlessness, life has learned to govern himself; he is the better fitted to govern his fellow man.

I do not forget what a terrible tragedy war is. Its sufferings and heart burnings cannot be told. Its exhaustion of material wealth is beyond estimation. It has kept the world poor. It stands charged with the slaughter of the innocent, as well as the guilty. It breeds the passions of the infernal world. But out of all its crime and devastation, nurtured by the blood it has caused to be shed, and watered by the tears it has caused to flow, has grown up the very flower of sturdy manhood, bearing fruits of heroism, bravery, self-denial and nobility, that thrill our souls with pride for our common humanity.

This holiday is a solemn memorial of the great war of the century, if not of all centuries. It is a day set apart to do honor to the men who were actors in it, and to perpetuate the memory of those who perished to promote its success. It was your proud privilege, veterans, to have taken part in that most glorious contest. Yours it was to have had your souls tempered by the fire of the field of battle. Yours was the opportunity of learning that which only a soldier can learn. Yours it is to indulge in reminiscences in which we who staid behind can never share. Inasmuch as you have passed the ordeal of baptism by fire with fortitude and success, so you have the right to the crown of glory which a grateful republic bestows upon its saviors. Whatever of honor or distinction you may achieve, you will not esteem them above this. Whatever of riches you may acquire, they will not equal the wealth of these experiences. Whatever of joys you may taste, they are not to be compared to the sweetness of the reminiscences which the exercises of this anniversary bring thronging back in your memories. You have that which learning cannot acquire, and which gold cannot buy,—the consciousness of noble deeds done, of sacrifices freely given, of honors richly earned.

But you are not all here. Year by year your ranks grow thinner; and the list of names starred increases in length. Even those whose graves you have this day decked with flowers of sweet remembrance do not complete the roll. He who stood by your side, whose privations you shared, whose enthusiasm sustained yours, whose comradeship made your hardships easier to bear, struck down by the fatal bullet that might have come to you, sleeps peacefully beneath the waving grass, far from home and kindred, with no sign to mark the spot of his burial. His was a nobler lot than even yours, for he died upon the field of battle, consecrating by his life-blood his devotion to the cause of duty. But though missed from your ranks, we may not call him dead. There is who liveth, and yet is dead; and there is who dieth, yet shall live forever. So long as the soul of man is inspired by the contemplation of brave deeds, your departed comrades, whose memory we cherish this day, shall live to inspire the sentiments of courage and patriotism in the hearts of their grateful countrymen. Living, we deck their graves with garlands of sweet flowers; for, dying they have decorated our lives by the bright example of their sacrifice.

But are these tributes to the survivors and to the dead, important and grateful though they are, all that is left to us of the war of the Rebellion? Shall Memorial Day have for us no other significance than as an occasion for calling over the roll of the departed? Have we performed our whole duty to the day when we have strewn flowers on the graves of our comrades? Should not this sacred anniversary be a memorial, not merely of the dead, but also of the war in which they lost their lives, bringing back to our attention its causes, its results, its lessons? Such, indeed, it appears to me it has become. As Independence Day stands not merely for the signing of the Declaration of Independence, but for all the hallowed memories of the struggle for political freedom, so Memorial Day, established originally as an occasion for honoring the memory of the departed, has taken on a wider significance than even that sacred duty. It has become our principal, indeed our only anniversary of the war of the Rebellion.

It seems to me, therefore, that we shall best improve the opportunity that is presented to us if we attempt briefly to review some of the characteristic features of the contest, to study the causes which led to it, to learn its lessons, and, if possible, to ascertain its function in the divine economy of the universe.

There are those, it is true, who hold that the differences that led up to the war and the animosities which inspired it should be suffered to sink into the oblivion of forgetfulness; who believe that the day is best improved, not by indulging in reminiscences of the past, but rather, while doing honor to the memory of those who died on either side, to devote the occasion to cementing more closely the reunion that the issue of the war established. With these sentiments, so far as they look to the abolition of sectional lines, so far as they seek to obliterate the animosities which the war embodied and engendered, I fully concur. Hitherto, on an occasion similar to this, I have paid my humble tribute of honor and respect to the soldiers of both armies, and have claimed for our common country the glory that is due to the valor, the bravery, and the devotion that characterized the war on both sides.

But I do not deem the duties of the day to be so limited. There are some lessons that we cannot afford to unlearn. There are some experiences which it is not wise to attempt to forget. Justice to our departed comrades demands that the solemn lessons of the civil war, purchased at the price of their lives and written in their blood, shall not go out from the memory of man. Regard for the welfare of our country calls upon us, particularly on an occasion like this, to rehearse the story of the great tragedy, and the causes which led to it, for our admonition and guidance in the grave problems that still beset us. Nor is this duty the less imperative as we consider the signs of the times, which point only too clearly to a growing tendency to ignore the lessons the Rebellion should have taught us, if not even by indirection and fraud to undo the work that has been done at so fearful a cost.

A full quarter of a century has elapsed since by the surrrender at Appomattox the war of the Rebellion passed into history. Standing almost at the distance of posterity, recovered from the intoxication of success, free from the prejudices it engendered, we are able, I trust, soberly and fairly to estimate its character and importance, and to ascertain its rank among the great events of the world.

As to its place in history, I think it is now conceded that in all that goes to characterize a gigantic military contest, it stands clearly at the head. Whether we consider the number of men and arms engaged, the lives and money that stand for its cost, the character and number of its battles, the ability of its leaders or the bravery of its soldiers, it was the most remarkable war yet waged by mankind. Some others have continued for a greater number of years, but they have been more intermittent, and with periods of temporary cessation of hostilities, partial or entire. None approach ours in the number and frequency of battles fought. For more than four years the fighting on some portion of the line was almost continuous. From Bull Run to Appomattox the strain was never once relaxed.

If we pass from generalities to details the record still bears us out. The battle of Gettysburg, the turning point, in my judgment, of the fortunes of the Rebellion, easily takes rank in its character and importance and in the stubbornness and skill with which it was fought with its only rival, the battle of Waterloo. There is no more bloody day in modern or ancient history than Antietam, when more than 20,000 men were killed or wounded. No pitched battles have been fought so long and so persistently as the Wilderness and the Seven Days before Richmond. Sherman's march through Georgia to the sea, for audacity, for brilliancy, for the strategic importance of its results, is simply unparalleled in the annals of military operations. So, too, was the victory of Sheridan over his own army at Winchester, sweeping down upon the retreating columns, and by the sheer energy of his will compelling them, more afraid of his terrible wrath than of the pursuing enemy, to turn about in their rout and fight their way back to the very camp they had slept in the night before. Although it was essentially a military contest, yet the Capture of New Orleans and Mobile by Farragut are entitled to the front rank of maritime exploits; and the duel between the Monitor and the Merrimac in one day revolutionized the science of naval warfare.

Mere statistics utterly fail to convey to us an impression of the stupendous magnitude of the war, of the resources it consumed, or of the ruin and misery it entailed. Including both armies, more than three millions of men, at one time or another, were in the field. The nation had not only the burden of their support, but, during the term of their service, lost the contribution to the public wealth which their labors at home would have earned. The national debt, which on the union side at one time reached nearly three billions of dollars, did not nearly represent the cost directly incurred in the prosecution of the war. But the saddest fact remains to be stated: The lives of five hundred thousand men, dying on the fields of battle, in the hospitals, or in hostile prisons, the very flower of the republic, stood charged to the account of the cost of the war at its close, bringing the desolation of death to every hamlet in the land.

It is one thing to state these figures. It is quite another thing to grasp their significance. They are utterly beyond the capacity of the human mind to comprehend. But, stupendous and unappreciable though they are, they still fail to furnish even an approximate estimate of the cost, the disaster, the suffering, the heart-breaking, for which the war of the Rebellion must be held responsible.

Wherefore, humanity has the right to ask, this loss of blood and treasure? To what end did Divine Providence ordain this terrible tragedy? For what cause worth the sacrifice were these your comrades called upon to lay down their lives?

Was it for glory? Nay, not so. Our civilization, thank God, has outgrown the barbarism of levying of war for glory alone. All the bright jewels that bedeck the crown of glory with which the valor of her soldiers and the bravery and skill of her generals have adorned the brow of the republic, dear as they are, of themselves are not worth the price of the lives of the two brave sons of Massachusetts who were shot down in the streets of Baltimore.

Was it the maintenance of the union? Warmly as my heart beats with love for my country and pride in her strength, I yet hesitate to say that even the preservation of the federal bond between the states would under all circumstances justify so tremendous a cost. Notwithstanding the teachings of the earlier statesmen, which have been impressed so often and so eloquently as to have become almost axioms, I can yet imagine circumstances which would justify or even demand a dissolution of a union which had become mutually undesirable. My so unfortunate an event not take place in our day, or our children's! But let us also pray that we may not be called upon again to maintain the federal integrity at so cruel a cost.

No. The roots of the war of the Rebellion go deeper than these considerations of glory or even patriotism. We do not arrive at a full appreciation of its significance and justification until we recognize the solemn fact that, under God, it was his means of purification of the republic from crime, the washing out of a nation's stain by the supreme baptism of blood.

Man has ever paid his most constant homage at the shrine of the muse of tragedy. The comedies of life excite his passing fancy, and he seeks in them relief from the cares that weigh him down. But the spectacle of tragedy thrills him to the very depths of his soul. Again and again he is drawn from the pursuit of pleasure, by a fascination as terrible as it is resistless, to the contemplation of the tragic and fatal consequences that wait upon sin. And by these consequences I do not mean merely the suffering and ruin that crime visits with inevitable certainty upon the transgressor himself. The vengeance of the Almighty does not stop here. We observe that the lives of men are so inextricably interwoven and inseparable that the disaster which follows wrong-doing involves in its dreadful consequences the innocent as well as the guilty. Not alone his friends and the loved ones who are dependent upon him, but generations yet unborn share in the penalties of his transgression. Far be it from me to venture to question the divine wisdom that has so ordained it. How many a man, tempted to evil, reckless, it may be, of the consequences to himself, pauses with horror at the thought of the suffering he foresees that his sin will bring down upon the heads of those with whose happiness he is charged. Tragedy is the working out of this terrible law of divine retribution. It is the vengeance of sin visited not alone upon the sinner, but upon the sinless as well. This it is that holds the soul of man spell-bound. We turn away in horror, but we turn to gaze again and again. This is the theme that has employed the historian, the poet, the artist in all ages. Of such are the epics of all literature. Falstaff excites the passing smile, but Hamlet lives in our heart of hearts. Christianity itself, nurtured in the blood of its martyrs, finds its highest inspiration in the sublime tragedy of the crucifixion.

It is one of the mysterious and eternal laws of human progress that the tragic is the only source of moral growth. The chapters of history are punctuated not by the successes of mankind, but by its tragedies. The depths of emotion in man's soul are not reached by the practice of the virtues, nor by the contemplation of the good and the beautiful. Sorrow and suffering, even, though they chasten, do not inspire. God, in his infinite wisdom, has ordained that the pure flame of moral life shall spring up alone from the awful and melancholy ruin in which the consequences of crime have involved the innocent and the guilty alike.

A consideration of these laws, the operations of which are illustrated by the record of all crime, from the fall of Adam down to the latest breach of trust which the newspapers tell us of, whose cloud has darkened the sun of happiness that had illumined so me peaceful and loving home,—the immutability of which laws the life-story of every son of man attests to his consciousness, will enable us to explain and justify the tragedy of the war of the Rebellion, and to ennoble and glorify the sacrifices of those in whose memory this anniversary has been instituted.

The corner stone of the republic is to be found in a single sentence. It is that inspired declaration that "all men are created free and equal, and are endowed by the creator with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." It is the sublimest sentence in literature since the sermon on the mount. It is the golden rule of political science. It is the Alpha and the Omega of statesmanship. It was a most audacious declaration. It had never before been said or believed. There had been republics, but they were so in name alone. They were the republics of the learned as in Greece, of the strong as in Rome, or of the rich as in Holland; and all of them had been wrecked on the sands of time. But the gospel of the Declaration of Independence brought to the world a new light. It told for the first time the grand but simple truth of the equality of men. It was received with incredulity and derision, but it has been demonstrated by our marvellous success; and it has come to be the condition of all political security. Tested by a century of growth, such as the world had never seen, the spirit of 1776 now infuses his life into every government of the civilized world, and points the warning finger of doom to every form of misrule that ignores its truth.

But notwithstanding the high standard they set for themselves, an immeasurable advance over everything before, with all their care to build wisely, our fathers yet allowed one unsound timber to be built into their national structure. It was the recognition of the legality of African slavery. Whether they lacked the courage of their convictions, or whether they themselves failed to comprehend the vastness of the principles they had formulated, does not concern the present discussion. The fact remains that the right of holding negro slaves was incorporated into the very frame work of their government. The constitution of the United States was indeed necessarily a work of compromises and concessions. The states were scarcely less jealous of each other than of the mother country; and the harmonizing of these jarring interests, the overcoming of the dissensions that arose as soon as the strain of their common defence was relaxed was a difficult and masterly work of statesmanship. But while in other respects the federal union was accomplished without loss of honor, the concession to which I have referred was in direct violation of the very principles upon which they professed to stand. It recognized and guaranteed the right of property by man in man; it took away from the black man the very right to his life and liberty which they had but just declared to be his inalienably. The word slave, it is true, does not appear in the constitution. The consciences of the fathers would not allow them to write that word with the same pen that inscribed the Declaration of Independence. Even the African slave trade masqueraded in the disguise of "importation of persons." But juggling with paraphrases did not hide the iniquity. The platform of freedom was constructed to uphold the crime of slavery. It was not the result of accident or misconception. Its terms were chosen with care and deliberation and were explicitly understood by its framers.

How delusive was the hope that such a poison could remain and not corrupt the system! How terrible the mistake! How fearful the crime against humanity, committed in the very name of liberty itself! As we look back with the clearer vision of today and consider how the constitution riveted the fetters of bondage upon its unhappy victims, how it gave the master the right to pursue and reclaim his human chattel throughout the limits of what was boastingly called "the land of the free," how by its provisions even the iniquity of the African slave trade was clothed with the sanction of law for a score of years, we feel that we can scarcely except to the anathema of that stern old abolitionist, received though it was with execration and indignation, who declared that the constitution of the United States was "a compact with death and a league with hell."

In thus characterizing the work of the founders of the American union let me not be understood as presuming to pass judgment upon the founders themselves. Ill becomes it that we who ourselves live lives of compromise with the evils that beset us, who ourselves are the weak creatures of circumstance, should venture to deal harshly with the honesty of purpose of those who sacrificed so much for our sake. They saw with the light of their day and time. The curse of African slavery was not then felt as it afterwards came to be. It was a year before the Puritans (who were the real fathers of liberty in this country) landed on Plymouth Rock that the ship which brought the first cargo of slaves dropped her anchor at the mouth of the James. Planted so nearly at the same time, the wheat and the tares had grown up side by side, and in the abundance of the territory of the new country they had not begun to choke each other, and it was not then easy to foresee that the time would certainly come when they could not survive together. Our fathers had, moreover, the alternative of a union with slavery or no union at all. The record of the controversy which preceded the adoption of the constitution shows clearly that the federal union could not have been formed if the framers had insisted upon the practical application of the principles of the Declaration of Independence to the already firmly rooted system of negro slavery.

But the fact remains that the establishment of our nation was tainted by the warrant it gave to the continuation of an offence against the very nature of its origin. It was a compromise with crime. It could not endure without disaster. The foundation of the government was indeed the everlasting rock of liberty. The superstructure was carefully planned, and under the noble and self-sacrificing toil of our ancestors it grew to marvellous proportions, but it all rested upon one rotten support, and the loftier its growth the more fatal and destructive must be the ruin in which it was certain some day to fall.

The history of the eighty years from the Revolution to the Rebellion are pregnant with the lessons they teach of the futility of dallying with crime in the hope of averting its tragic consequences. They record the ever increasing, ever hopeless struggle of the nation to maintain its life and health with this cancer rooted in its vitals. The republic set itself to a greater than the task of Sisyphus, the attempt to entertain iniquity and escape its results. From the very first it was the vital issue. Other perils menaced the peace of the nation from time to time, and were met and overcome in their turn with the spirit of the first fathers. But this cloud never once left the sky. The question of slavery entered into every contest. It dominated every political issue. Timid men of peace, eager followers of Mammou, doughfaced and reckless politicians again and again arranged their compromises and settlements which they vainly hoped should permanently fix the bounds of crime, beyond which it should not pass, but within which it should have license to live. Persistently they shut their eyes to the fatal truth that no sin can be sanctioned that will not lead to disaster and suffering, and that unless torn out by the roots it must surely bear its fruits of tragedy and death.

Nor may we even say that the crime was sectional. The responsibility for it rested upon the whole nation. Jefferson tells us that a paragraph in the original draft of the Declaration of Independence arraigning the king for forcing the slave trade upon the colonies was obliged to be stricken out, not alone out of deference to the southern states, but also because the northern conscience was a little tender under the censure it conveyed. They were not themselves large owners of slaves, but "they had been," says he, "pretty considerable carriers of them to others." The northern states did indeed abolish slavery within their limits, but it was for reasons of which conviction of its immorality were but a small factor; and the guiding rule of the leading northern statesmen for more than fifty years seems to have been to secure the perpetuity of the institution where it was established, and only to discourage its extension into the newer states. The best that can be said of them is that they deemed the advantages of the union to be greater than the curse of the slavery it fostered. But even this broad mantle of charity fails to cover the failings of some of the leaders of those days. The last president furnished by New England, and who received the votes of every northern state but two, was elected upon a platform which committed its party to "resist all attempts at renewing in congress or out of it the agitation of the slavery question," and which in its humiliating concessions to the arrogant exactions of the slave owners exceeded only that of the party which suffered defeat. The subserviency of the north during those dark years, its eagerness to stifle discussion, its cowardly submission to the most extreme demands of the south, its blind disregard of all considerations of justice to the black man are among the most shameful facts in our national history.

In vain, however, were compromises and concessions. In vain the peace that only perpetuated the wrong. In vain the truce that did not free the slave. The stain of blood could not be so washed out. The vengeance of the Almighty could not be so averted. Again, and yet again, and with ever increasing force the spirit of liberty smote the slumbering conscience of the people and aroused them from their false security by her solemn words of warning, saying to them in the brave words of him who was her chief apostle and oracle, "I am in earnest,—I will not prevaricate,—I will not excuse,—I will not retreat a single inch,—and I will be heard."

The depth of national humiliation was reached in the enactment of the fugitive slave law. Some of the scenes that accompanied its enforcement we should be glad, if we could, to blot from the history of our country. Thirty-six years ago this very week a deed was done in Boston that should have chilled the heart of the nation. Down through historic State street, rich in memories of the struggle for liberty, the street in which the Declaration of Independence was first proclaimed to the people of New England,—the very street where the blood of the first martyr to liberty, Crispus Attucks, the black man, was poured out in the defence of liberty, Antony Burns was led back from the freedom which God gave him to the slavery to which the law condemned him. No crime had be committed, no disturbance had be created, no peace of society had be endangered; his only offence was that he had dared to taste the sweets of liberty. For this he was tried and convicted by a court established under the laws of the United States, dragged to the wharf by its officers and soldiers, and conveyed in a ship, provided for the purpose by the President himself, to a worse than living death. It was a triumph of wrong under the sanction of law: but how must have thundered in the consciences of those who witnessed the scene the awful words of Jehovah, "To me belongeth vengeance and recompense; their foot shall slide in due time, for the day of their calamity is at hand."

And yet in two years from that time the party that condemned this monstrous deed was beaten by more than a million votes.

The crime of the nation against humanity found its culmination, and its expiation as well, in the war of the Rebellion. Not without warnings came the final catastrophe, but the people heeded them not. Lovejoy was slain for proclaiming the truth, but the authorities of Boston until shamed into it

Head Quarters Wm A. Rodman Post No 1 Dept. Miss. G.A.R.
New Bedford Sept 17th 1878 Post opened in due form by
P.C. Geo. P. Gifford Officers Present- S.V.C. Chas. J. Briggs
J.V.C. S.C. Chamberlain acting. Q.M. John Smith
Surg. Thos. R. Tripp Chap. N.B. James. Adjt. R.W. Sowle
Officer of the Day Joseph Lemaire. O.G. Geo. H. Carpenter
O.M.C. H. Tobey. Q.M.S. William Howes
Records of last meeting were read and approved
Q.M. read his monthly report Cash on hand $45.27

Gen. Order No. 1 and Circular letter No 1 were read and
placed on file

Sick Report	to Visit the Sick
C. C. Gifford — about Same —	Sergeant & Saxon
A. J. Mathews — not feeling well —	Corbin & Kinsley
Collins Dean — about Same —	Hall & Wilcox
Joseph Lewis — No better —	Price & Bates
P. G. Pettis — about Same —	Cannon & Knox
James Hutchins — no better —	Q. Master
John Hubbell — better	
Chas Wrightington — not as well	C. G. & Corbin
Henry Haines — about Same	J. G. Hampton

W P

Reported Sick

Wm A. Gifford	Wm Ostling
Nathan P. Briggs	C. C. Price
John V. Gallen	C. D. & H. M.

Benefit-

Henry Haines was placed on the benefit list
dating from 16 night-

The application of William Hearne for membership to transfer was read and referred to the following Com. for investigation & report Chief Surgeon D. D. J. Donaghy, S. C. Chamlain Comrade Geo. H. Talmus

Returned from Suspension

returned from Suspension by paying back dues

Commander requested the use of our Committee room next Saturday Evening for the North Side Sailing association to hold a meeting for the purpose of Electing Officers Voted on motion Com. Wife. his request was granted

Comrade Chas Thurman requested the use of Solon Barns for use at a clam bake to be held at Pinehurst Park next Sat & voted on motion of the Surgeon his request was granted

Post stand under the good of the order

Remarks were made on the subject of music for funeral &c by Com. C. Chas J. Burgess Comrades Jno Hall, Burnett, Commander L. M. and others

Returned to Mrs Burnes

L. M. Com. Chas J. Burgess made a motion that the 3 first Officers constitute a committee on music Amended by Com. Sec. Jno V. C. Chamberlain that the L. M and Adjt be added to the Com. amended by the L. M. that a Standing Committee Consisting of three Comrades be substituted

Voted the whole matter lay on the table one week

Librarian for the Post

B. H.

Legislature Mass. was read and voted on motion
of Rep. the bill is passed on Second Reading Committee
on Commerce Post- &c
Leave to withdraw papers to the Library

R. W. Snow adjt.

Head Quarters William D. Redman Post No
Dept. Mass G.A.R. Pro tem Post No
Post opened in due form by P.C. G. F. Gifford
Officers all present

Records of last meeting read and
approved 2. M. and bi-monthly report read and filed

Sick Relief — Committee to visit the sick

C. C. Gifford — failing better — Lawrence — Kilton
A. G. Matthews — not as well — O.C. — Cutting
Collins Fain — about same — Poole —
Joseph Lewis — no better — King — Elwell
P. G. Eaton — same — King — Elwell
James Keating — same — Lunda Mallet
John Marble — better —
Thomas Weightman — —
Henry Hill — better — 2. M. & Wife Nan
Wm. Gifford — not as well — Pukington
N. T. Briggs — all right
P. H. Gallion — " " S. V. C.
Chas. Braytin ~~H. C. Briggs~~ reported Sick S. V. C. C. Bourgeois
Thomas Weightman was placed on the
benefit-list dating from Aug. 29th and closed
29th to night

The Committee on the application of
William Harney to be admitted by transfer
all reported favorable and on a ballot he
was Elected

Wm. Harney
transfer

Cyrus E. Tabor

The application of Cyrus E. Tabor to be reinstated was read and referred to the following Committee for investigation J. T. L. C. W. Copley – John Lambert Chaplain A. P. Jones

The committee reported having examined the B. M. report for the month ending 31st inst – had signed the same

Voted on motion D. M. Sargent the report be received and placed on file.

Committee reported that the entertainment has been for on Sunday Evening 28th Contrary to the Rules of the Post

Committee on repairing entertainment reported progress

Committee of arrangements on going to Boston to the national Convention reported progress

The motion in regard to music laid on the table at our last meeting for one week was read and voted on motion of the Surg. it was taken from the table

Comrade Martin moved a substitute motion that the Commander and Chaplain constitute a committee on music motion was carried

Comrade T. J. Thompson announced that he would present the Post with a Club book

A request from the W. R. C. for the use of the Hall next Wednesday Eve. was granted

Voted on motion Q. M.S. William Howes
that our signs on the front of our Hall be
repainted and Curtains to the front-
Windows be Lettered and if need be new Curtains
procured

A Communication from the Pacific
Co. Association stating that the next convention
would meet in N. Bedford with the Railroad
& Peace Post 190 on Oct the 8th 1878
and requesting this Post to send ten delegates

Pacific Co Con

Commander
appointed V. P. C. Chas. A. Burgess, Junr. Supt.
Q. M. J. Smith, James L. Wilbur, C. W. Howes
Chas. Hawkes Wm. Sanders William Wing
Chas. A. Webb

Music

A communication from the
agent of the U. E. Military band giving
Price for music at funerals &c. was read
and it was voted on motion of the Quarter Master
that the communication be filed in the hands
of the Committee on Music

Bill

of Chas. G. Allen was read Voted on motion
of the same, the bill be placed on file of the
Finance Committee

Comrades present 45

Closed according to the ritual

R. W. Howes adjt.

Grand Quarter Meeting of Adams Post No
Department Massachusetts G. A. R.
Newburyport, Oct 1st 1870 Post Opened in due
form by P. C. Geo. S. Gifford
Union Prayer
Rev. P. C. Charles Burrill Q. M. C. Sergeant Smith Jr.
Q. M. Sergeant Smith Surg. C. A. Bishop
Chaplain C. P. Jones Off. of the Day
Officer of the Guard Lieuts C. J. Jr. & Carpenter
J. M. Color Corps C. M. Sr. Geo. S. Gifford

Records

of last meeting was read and approved.
Q. M. read his quarterly report which was [illegible]

Proposed [illegible] Voted to Dismiss

C. L. [illegible] — [illegible] — Battle & Chaplain
A. F. Matthews — Private Co — Chaplain &
Willis Perin — About Same — Parkinson
[illegible] — about Same — Allen & Currier
James Keating — about Same — D. Martin
John Marble — better —
Henry Tenney — [illegible] — [illegible]
William A. Gifford — About Same —
Charles Boynton — Junior — [illegible]
C. R. Nason reported sick — C. H. Pike & Carpenter
Joseph Lewis — about Same — Capt Gard
John Marble was elected a Benefit Initiation
Chas Boynton balloted on Benefit Initiation fee
& voted

Benefits

[illegible]

The Committee [illegible] to the [illegible]
Encampment reported a deficit, to pay outstanding
bills to the amt. of

Voted on motion of Com. [illegible] that report be
received and the balance of the bills be paid from
the Post-fund

The Quarterly report of Wm. H. Newman Q. M. P. C.
No 53 for relief during the Quarter ending Sept 30
was read. Voted on motion Comrade Chamberlain
the report be received and placed on file

Quarter Master read his report for the month of
Sept and Quarterly report Ending Sept 30
was referred to auditing Committee

On motion S. V. C. Chas. J. Burgess it was
voted to extend to Wm. H. Chamberlain a written vote
of thanks for the Sword [illegible] and
and a written vote of thanks to Mrs Newman
for the Present of a book Entitled Incidents of the
Late War

Josephus Buckley tendered his
resignation as Sentinel of the hall.

Commander appointed William Hawes to fill
as Sentinel. William Hawes having tendered his
resignation as Q. M. S. Comrade George W. Russell
was appointed to fill the vacancy and was duly
installed by Commander Gifford to the office

Extra Meeting

Voted on motion R. E. C. Bro. J. Burgess that we will open meeting on the 1st Sept. inside the connection with the F. & A. C. and Work of Officers

Voted on motion Comde Chamberlain that we hold a Communication next Wednesday night Each Comrade present is requested and a Committee shall be appointed to attend the Funeral

Funeral

Commander appointed Comrades R. C. Chamberlain Eddleston, Robinson Copeland and J. M. Fales

Voted the Commander be added to the Committee

By-laws Presented

Comrade Parker gave notice in writing that at the next time it should be a motion to Commend the By-laws so that they will read the same at opening Ex. meetings read to at Ex. Each the year round

Bills

Edison Electric lighting Co.

Ezra Smith as. R. M.

A. M. Sisson [illegible] and voted on motion R. E. the Bills be laid on the Finance Committee Bill of John H. Cunningham was read and Voted on motion R. C. Burgess that the bill lay on table one week

Comrades present 40

Read ritual to the ritual R. W. Sisson left

Head Quarters G. A. Redman Post No.
Dept-Mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford Oct-8th 1890

Post met in due form by P.C. Geo. P. Gifford
Officers present & filled Each Comrade John
H. C. Chamberlain Post-C. M. J. Smith
Sen. V. C. Leigh Chap. A. B. Jones Adjt.
P. H. Chase O. G. Lowney O. Guard Geo. H.
Crowell Q. M. C. H. Hall acted as O. G. Geo.
Records of last meeting read and Approved
Com. Orders No 2 & 3 from Dept. H. Q. and No 1
from Dept. H. Q. were read and placed on file

D. Mack and his wife absent
Cash on hand this date — $479.59

Sick report	Sick visit
C. C. Gifford — About Same —	Burial Office
C. F. Watkins — Not reported —	Visit by Chase
Allen Perin — Same as last Report —	John Wall
Joseph Lewis — about Same —	E. Hall
P. G. Gifford — about report —	Perry & Watkins
James Tucker — " " —	Le Baron
Henry Hall — not better —	Lemuel & Lillie
W. A. Gifford — no report —	Office Day
Chas. Brayton — better —	Chamberlain & Vaughan

William Hamon reported Sick — Knox & England
William C. Cross reported Sick — Dexter & Cowen

Reinstating

Had Expired and it was voted on motion of S. V. C. Chas. J. Burgess his name was ordered to the [illegible]

Application for Reinstatement

The committee on the application of Capt C. Tyler reported a majority report Voted on motion of S. C. Chamberlain the majority report be accepted and the committee [illegible] for and on a ballot he was rejected

Reinstating

The application of Benjamin F. Hopkins was read and referred to the following committee [illegible] John Wall. John P. Lewis Wm. Wilder R. Tufts

Repairs

Q. Mr. Smith to whom was referred the matter in relation to repairing the Ante rooms Water Closets curtains Signs &c reported having seen the rooms or agents of the building and they stating that they would allow the post ten dollars (10) toward the Expense

Voted on motion C. J. that the Q. M. be authorized to go ahead and do the said work as recommended Amended by S. V. C. that he include the water closets Amendment excepted by the original and the motion carried

Permit

S. V. C. Engine Co. committee appointed to procure a petition for the Lot known as Teresa Bullard reported with a petition at a cost of $2.50

Voted the report be accepted and the petition sent with the vote of town upon the deed

Unfinished business

The bill of G. W. Linkham which was laid over for one week at our last meeting was taken from the table Voted on motion of S. V. C. Burgess the bill be paid from the relief fund

Communications

A Communication from the Loyal Women of American Liberty asking for the use of this hall sometime this month for the purpose of having an entertainment. Voted on motion of S. V. C. Burgess that the matter be referred to the Executive Board with Power.

A Communication from Lewis Adams camp No. 9 asking for the use of this hall next sunday afternoon for the purpose of holding a Union meeting Voted on motion S. V. C. Burgess that it be granted

Commander made remarks as a delegate to the Bristol Co Convention of the Union of that association

Other same remarks from delegate S. V. C. Burgess

Remarks being from Second Post and a remarks from Easton invited this Post and made some interesting remarks.

Bill

of S. V. C. Burgess and Josephus Bentley was read on motion Bro. the bills be paid on Special Relief Com. Amount paid $3 Dollars each to Wilbur Robinson and

Head Quarters 1st Regt Volunteer Infantry
Adjutant Genl's Office N.H.V.

Manchester Oct. 15 1861

Post Opened in due form By P.C. Gen. P. Gifford

Officers Present

D. D. C. Lieut. C. Burgess J.A.C. Capt. A. Riley
Lieut. Col. Marshall Maj. A.A. Gifford
Capt. M. D. Jones Adjt. R. W. Clark
Gifford Esq. Joseph Kemp C. Quartermaster
Surg. Chas. A. Forbes.

Records of last meeting was read and Approved

Sick Report		Do with the sick
C. C. Gifford	about Same	Marble & Luscomb
A. J. Matthews	about Same	S. M. & Steele
Collins Perin	no report	Surgeon
Joseph Davis	no report	
Chas. Peters	about Same	Nurse
Geo. Hocking	no report	
Wm A. Gifford	no letter	
Chas. Blanton	better	Gifford Esq.
Wm Hanson	better	Richards & Pratt
Wm C. Cross	Complains	King & Price
Henry Heinz	better	better

E. A. Wright - was reported Sick - Sanford Bowman
William Hanson was placed on the benefit list - dating from to night

The Committee on the application of Benjamin Hoyt to be placed Favorably and on a Motion he

Benj. Hoyt

Were Elected.

The notice given by Bro L. Du
Bois last week in regard to the amendment
of the bylaws that he should make a motion
to amend &c. the R. W. not being present the
matter was laid on the table

Communication
of Sedgwick Post Camp S. of Veterans no. 23
asking this Camp to consider the feasibility of making
a protest against the granting of another
Charter for a Camp of S. of V. in this City;
on motion Comrade Hamilton the communication
lay on the table for one week

Voted on motion of S. V. C. Lieut. J. Burger
that the Q. M. be instructed to have some
Carbons placed on the book case

no Comrades Present - 37.

Closed according to the Ritual

R. M. Adams
Sec't.

Head Quarters William L. Robinson Post No
Dept: Mass G. A. R.

Roxbury Sept Oct 22nd 1880

Post opened in due form by P.C. Geo. P. Gifford
Officers Present - S. V. C. Charles F. Brayton
J. V. C. Charles A. Pierce, Surg. A. A. Fairfield
C. M. John Smith Chap. A. B. Ramsay
Adjt: Chas. A. Seaver acting A. Q. M. J. Brown
U. S. Sec. A. Augustus S. M. S. Col. &c. Burpee
Record of Last meeting was read and approved
C. M. and his muddy report Carbon hand Bros, per

General Order No 9 from Dept Head Quarters was
read and placed on file

Sick report	&c Visit Wanted
C. C. Gifford — about Same —	Farnum & Cameron
C. F. Williams — not as well —	D. L. C. & Jr. V. C.
Collins Davis — no report —	Lombard
J. Jon Lewis — " " —	
James Keching — no better —	Ex Inmate
H. A. Gifford — no report —	
Chas F Brayton — Well —	
William Warren — " —	
William C. Cross — Little better —	Pierce
C. A. Wright — better —	Hampton
Henry J Cines — more Comfortable —	J. Lettie
Peter J. Peters — no report —	Brayton

Commander Chas F Brayton & William Hampton
were detailed off the Benefit Committee for

Benefit

Benefit

Communication to Byfield

Comrade E. A. Wright was placed on the benefit list dating from 1st Inst.

Comrade Wm. C. Cross was placed on the benefit-list dating from Oct. 15th

Unfinished Business.

Voted on motion S. M. that our bylaws be so amended that the date opening the Post shall at 7:30 p. m. be rescinded and that the Post meetings be at 8 P. M. the year around.

Voted on motion the 2. m. that the communication recvd from the D. of Veterans asking this post to take a practical interest regarding a Soldiers Home camp of V. of S. in this city, was referred to Committee Offered with power.

Transfer

Wm. Warren of Post 17 Rockland Dept. of R. I. joined this post by transfer

A communication from the U. V. L. asking for the use of our Hall for meeting night, on a week of the 4th request was granted

Comrades Present 35

Closed according to the Ritual

Chas. N. Forbes

act. Cgl.

Trial Quarters Wm. L. Kelman Post-one Dept.
Mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford Oct-29th 1890

Post Opened in due form by P. C. Com. J. Gifford
Officers present S. V. C. Chas. H. Dawes acting
Chaplain Comp. H. B. Jones acting C. A. Dixon
A. M. John Smith acting Lieut. Edward C. Jones
C. L. Lee, O. of the D. M. C. H. Tuck, Q. M. Sergt. Dupee
Record of last meeting was read and approved
A. M. read his weekly report. Each member to take [illegible]

Visit the Sick

C. A. Gifford — absent — Smith & Lee
A. G. Matthews — Hailing — S. W. & Soule
[illegible] — Lecture — [illegible]
[illegible] —
J. P. Coles — — Wing & Jones
Jones Hailing — Lecture — A. M.
W. A. Gifford
C. A. Dixon — at work
E. A. Wright — about same — O. Day
Henry Kane — " "

N. A. Chase was declared of the Council for the
Muster —
Benjamin F. Hopkins was duly mustered as a
Comrade of this Post and signed the Rules and
Regulations

Committee Report

The Committee on Claims & Accounts
respectfully submitted the following report
Original Amount of Bills $11.65
Expenses $12.50
Leaving a balance unpaid of $23.50
which on motion of S. K. C. Chief J. Thomas the report
be accepted and the Bills ordered paid from the School
fund

Communication
from the Sec. of the Board of Trade, Committee
inviting this Body to attend the fair to be held
here next week and if convenient to do so,
the Com. be received and the invitation accepted
which on motion of Comm. Gen. Wilson
that the Commander be empowered to appoint a
Committee of three to be associated with
the Committee of the Board of Trade
and report the first meeting in Jan 1891

Voted the Commander be authorized to put an
advertisement in the daily papers for the Fall Meeting of
the Board of Trade fair

Commander appointed P. Canavan &
E. J. Donaghy on the Entertainment Committee
in the place of Com. Wilson & Com. Kinnicutt
resigned

Bills

Finance Committee [illegible]

Emma Gardiner's [illegible] was read and it was voted

on motion [illegible] on approval of the Finance Committee

Comrades Present - 36

Closed according to the Ritual

R. W. Snow

Adjt.

Ward Executive [illegible] Robinson Post

left Town G.A.R. Newfield Nov. 5th 1881

Post visited in due form by P.C. Geo. P. Gifford

Present - S.V.C. Chas. E. Burgess J. V. C.

A. C. Chamberlain acting Chap. A. S. Jones Surg.

H. R. Tisdale A. M. Peter Smith acting A. A. Genl.

P. S. Joseph Dr. Sylvester A. Sgt. Maj. Geo. H. Carpenter

[illegible] Q.M. Sgt. Chas. Draper

Reading of last meeting was read and

Approved. A. M. read his weekly report - Cash on hand

this date $21,39

Sick Report			To visit Sick
C. C. Wilson	-	[illegible]	- [illegible]
A. G. Mathews	sailing	-	Knox & Rankin
Chas Pierce	[illegible]	-	[illegible]
Joseph Lewis	"	"	- [illegible]
Peter J. Peters	"	"	- Sampson & Cross
Thos Hanley	"	"	- C. Hanley
Geo Wilson	[illegible]	-	[illegible]

To [illegible] Sick
to visit him O. D. of Luscomb

Application of Bro. Comm. for [illegible]
and referred to the Visiting Committee for
investigation S. V. C. Burgess Chap. reports
and Comrade Wm. Cesting

The visiting committee reported having
Examined the Q. M. report for the month of
Feb. and the same is correct leaving Feb 28th cash on hand
Item received and signed the same

Voted — the report be accepted and placed
on file

The S. V. C. Burgess gave notice two weeks
ago which notice has been posted in the anteroom
he now asks that he should receive action at this
meeting and the expenses of terminating the contract
Said Weeks to be paid from the post fund
and on his motion it was so voted

Voted on motion of C. J. Smith that a committee
of 3 three be appointed to see about providing suit-
able Rooms for this Post to attend the next
Department Encampment to be held at Detroit Mich.
Chair appointed on the Committee Comrades
C. J. Smith — William Cesting — Dungan

Comrade Jos. A. Taylor was added to the
Entertainment Committee

A communication from A. A. Stevens Comp. 25 Iowa of Col. thanking the post for the action taken in regard to the presenting of a sutler to the Camp in this City was read and Voted on motion S. V. C. Burgess the Communication be received and placed on file

L. M. read his report for the month of Oct. referred to the Auditing Committee

A communication from Post in Penbroke N. H. visited this Post and made some very Interesting remarks

Commander Appointed

Comrade S. C. Chamberlain Geo. Taylor & Sea Hegan a committee to nominate a Committee of Three to be a Standing Committee to confer with the City Government in case of need, Comrades &c. to report the list on the first meeting in Jan. 1881

Voted to grant the use of the room for Election for ensuing year

Nominations Post Commander Chas. F. Burgess

S. V. C. Col. Wesley M. B. Jones - Jno. Smith

and J. Conway - J. V. C. J. Conway - Jno. A. Dupee - A. A. Stevens

Chap. Rev. Jones - Jno. Taylor - Phillip H. Hill

and Jno. Lambert -

Surg. H. K. Griffith

L. M. John Smith - C. W. Forbes - S. C. Chamberlain

and Thos. Jones Q. M. - C. S. Ayer - J. B. Newcomb

Sec. H. Carpenter

C. L. Geo. Taylor — H. C. Gifford

Relief Committee

Madison — John Keith — J. P. Tallie — James Knott
" two — James L. Wilbur
" three — Joseph Donaghy
" four — H. C. Vaughn
" five — C. R. Frisbie — A. D. Jones
" six — Geo. L. Taylor —
Fairhaven — Geo. W. Carpenter

Delegates to Rep. Convention

Geo. C. Gifford — John Smith — J. W. Comstock
C. R. Frisbie — S. P. Luscomb — A. J. Smith
Geo. L. Taylor — A. L. Shaw — C. W. Fish

Alternates

C. D. Jones — F. A. Allen — James E. Knott —
J. Donovan — A. J. Keith — [illegible]
J. P. Tallie — [illegible] — Edward Rickard
C. L. Hammond — H. C. Gifford —

Bills of

C. A. Fish — Mercury Pub. Co. — [illegible]
W. Howes — [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
the Relief the motion of A. J. Keith that the Report
of the Finance Committee the second bills be passed
No Comrades present 57
Collected according to the Record
R. A. Shaw adjt.

Head Quarters William A. Rathbun Post one Dept. Iowa.
G. A. R. Newton Iowa Dec 12 1881
Post Opened in due form by P. C. Geo. P. Gifford
Officers present S. V. C. Charles J. Burgess - J. V. C.
Chap. H. Kirby - A. M. John Smith - Surg. H. F. Hip-
Chap. H. S. Glenn - Off. D. W. Glenn - O. D.
Joseph Dunagan - O. Guard Jno. A. Underwood
P. M. Chas. H. Ostrander A. M. S. Chas. A. Draper

Records of last meeting read and approved

C. M. read his weekly report Cash on hand this date $4.40

Sick report	On Roll the Sick
C. C. Gifford — improving —	Officer of the Day
A. G. Mattison — not well —	Chamberlain Cooke
Collins Perin — about Same —	Sullivan & Kinsley
Joseph Lewis — about Same —	
Peter F. Peters — About Same —	
James Wacking — better —	Quarter Master
[illegible] — [illegible] —	[illegible]
[illegible] — better —	Lowcumb & Thompson
John Thomas was expected sick —	Kinsley & Draper

C. C. Gifford was detailed to visit the sick to night
John Dunagan was detailed on the sick list during June
to night. Thos Long was further detailed Commander
Veteran Uniform Team. It being the first meeting in connection
with the W. R. C. Ladies and those of future meetings, and
it was a very enjoyable entertainment indulged

with vocal and instrumental music recitations &c
Recommended meeting &c R. H. Jones adjt.

Post Quarters Va. C. Rebecca Post No
Dept. Mass. G. A. R.
Fall River Nov. 19th 1880
Post closed in due form Commander Com. P. Gifford
Presiding
Officers Present S. V. C. C. H. Burgess
S. V. C. C. W. Kipley Surg. H. H. Smith Chap. H. B.
James. Q. M. Geo. Smith O. D. R. H. Jones
O. G. J. Remsley O. G. Com. H. Campbell S. M.
C. H. Peck Q. M. S. Q. M. Sergt. Geo
Reports of last meeting was read and approved
Q. M. read his weekly report Cash on hand this date
$503.28

Sick Report		Visiting Sick
C. C. Gifford	Feeling better	Comrade H. Crossett
C. F. Mathews	Failing	O. D. Chamberlain
Collins Perin	About Same	Geo. Taylor
Joseph Reis	" "	Wards & Collins
Peter L. Peter	" "	
Reuben Tucking	Improving	C. M.
Henry Hines	Same	Tillick
John Dawson	" "	
Peter C. Olsen	Better	Knott & Wright

Comrade C. D. Adams refused to be obtain and
Sworn to the Regular Discipline Employment

Gen Orders
No 4. from Head Qrs
Dept. of
Mass read and placed on file

Spiritual Affairs was declared on the docket – till
Meeting from to night –

The Committee on the application of Philemon C.
Fortin all reported favorable and on a ballot
he was Elected

The auditing Committee reported
having examined the L. M. report for the month
of Oct – and finding them correct had signed the
same Voted the report be excepted and placed on
file

A communication from Red Fort Lodge,
of Arkansas was read and on motion of the L. M.
it was voted the Communication Lay on the
table one week

The L. M. Committee on Lighting State
reported in writing with the bill for light – the hall
by Electricity – Working the bill was examined
&c. Voted on motion of V. V. C. C. A. Burgess
that the substitute gas in the place of Electricity

Voted on motion of Comrade S. A. Taylor
the L. M. be instructed to buy lumber & build
a coal bin

Bill of the Edison Electric
Lighting Co. was ordered laid on approved
Finance Committee
No Comrades Present – 47 Closed in form
R. W. Shaw

Mail Steamer N.Y. Boston Philadelphia Post Office
Post Mass. G. A. R.

Tuesday Oct. 26th 1880

Post Opened in due form by S. V. C. Lieut. J. Driggs
Officers present as before, Lieut. Col. Ripley act. J. A. C.
Lieut. Chamberlain act. A. M. Gen. Wirtz Surg.
Lieut. Ripley, Capt. H. B. Lyons act. A. Commy
Lieut. Dougherty Lieut. Col. H. C. Carpenter
Lieut. C. H. Forbes A. M. S. Gen. Staff

Records of last meeting were read and approved.

Com. Order 3 & 4 from Natural Head Quarters was read and placed on file

Name	Report	To visit Tin Pot
C. C. Stafford	Fishing	Comrades & Families
C. G. Mathews	Fishing	Comrades
Lieut. Dunn	Fishing	Com. A. Taylor
Joseph Lewis	No letter	Boles

Pilot Police
Ramus Mackins
Comp. Minds Act 1 Knott & Ostling
John Lawman Dessert
John O'Brien Letter Perkinson & Moore

Brigman C. Jordan was duly mustered a Comrade of this Post and signed the Roll and Regulations

Application

Application of John Edwards
was read and referred to the following
Committee for Investigation C. C. Chamberlain
D. P. Rousseau & A. C. Davis

The Communication from Rice Post- dept- of
Arkansas asking aid [illegible] disabilities
and endorsed by the Commander Dept- dept-
the Communication owning laid on the table for
one week by vote of the Post was taken from
the table and it was voted on motion of adj- J. L.
C. C. Chamberlain the Post confirm the action

A motion was made by adj- D. P. C
C. C. Chamberlain that the S. M. purchase a pair
of steps & steps pair with about-face steps
Amended by Comrade C. Smith that they remain
as is steps Voted the matter lay
on the table one week
Voted on motion of Comrade
C. Edwards that Lodge room be opened every
Evening Sunday evening excepted when not to
be occupied by any other organization
Voted on motion Comrade Smith the Lodge room be
opened Thanksgiving day next from Seven
O'Clock in the morning until Seven in the evening
Bill of $6.75 Cents was read on motion the same it was
Voted to be paid on approval Finance committee Comrade found
Correct according to the record D. P. Rousseau adj-

Dept Encampment [illegible]
Dept- Mass. G. A. R.

Encampment Dec. 5th 1894

Dept Commander in Chief from by P. C. Chas. F. Clifford
Officers Present S.V.C. Charles J. Bangs, J.V.C.
Charles H. Kelly, Surg. M.H. Smith, Chaplain
H. C. Jacques, Q.M. John Smith, O.D.
C. W. Rowe, O.G. Joseph Conway, A.A.G.
Sgt. H. Cochrane, S.M. Chas. H. Wells, A.M.S.
Geo. L. Durfee

Records of last meeting was read and approved

Q. M. read his weekly report Cash on hand this date $15.44.65

From Dept: H.Q.

Gen. Orders No. 11 was read and placed on file

Sick report — To visit the sick

C. C. Clifford — Sam Willis — A. J. Smith & D. Miller
L. J. Matthews — Abel Adams — J. C. Chamberlain — J. Miller
Charles Perrin — [illegible] — Wm. A. Hughes
[illegible] — [illegible] — Peter
Thomas Hocking — Abel Adams — Senior Master
Wm. Allen — [illegible] — Wm. Hocking
John Donovan — [illegible] —
John O'Neil — Sam Willis — Robinson — Merrill

The Committee on the application of John Edwards all reported favorable and on a ballot he was Elected

Voted on motion of A. J. Smith that the motion in regard to the R. R. pass providing a pass of 1 days for the Encampment shall remain on the table 1 week and that no pass be taken from the table Voted on motion of A. J. Smith that the matter be indefinitely postponed

The R. R. Secretary's monthly report for the months of November & December was referred to the auditing Committee

Voted on motion of A. J. Smith that we proceed to the election of Officers and that two Committees of three each be appointed to collect assort and Count Votes

Commander Appointed

Comrades Post	Comrades Post
Geo. W. Wilbur	Chas. W. Wheeler
Wm. E. Bailey	John Hall
Charles A. Chaffee	Wm. C. Vaughn

Vote for Post Commander

Whole number of Votes 63
Necessary for a Choice 32
John A. Smith had 1
Charles J. Burgess 62 and he was declared Elected

Vote for S. V. Commander

Whole no. Votes 56
Necessary for a Choice 29
John A. Smith had 2
R. W. Snow " 3
Charles W. Ripley 51 and he was declared Elected

Vote for U. S. Commander

Whole No. Votes	62
Necessary for Choice	32
William Watch had	1
Geo. D. Durfee "	1
W. C. Chamberlain "	3
Josiah Donaghy "	57 and he was declared

Elected

Vote for Surgeon

Whole No. Votes	36
Necessary for Choice	29
John Beauford had	1
William Watch "	1
Walter R. Wright "	34 and he was declared

Elected

Vote for Chaplain

Whole No. Votes	68
Necessary for Choice	32
William Watch had	1
Henry James "	1
George A. Taylor "	1
Alexander C. Rains "	1
Wm J. Thompson "	1
Henry B. Lamar "	35 and he was declared

Elected

Vote for Drum Major

Whole No. Votes	58
Necessary for Choice	30
Phillip H. Haig had	1
Wm Watch "	1

Vote for J. M. Lockwood

John J. Smith had 54 and he was declared
Elected

Vote for Officers of the City

Whole no. Votes		64
Necessary for choice		33
Albert F. Caldwell	had	1
Geo. W. Carpenter	"	1
Henry C. Chamberlain	"	15
Sotheen M. Peterman	"	46 and he was declared
Elected		

Vote for Officers of the Guard

Whole no. Votes		66
Necessary for a choice		34
Geo. W. Carpenter	had	1
William Wolfe	"	1
John Lumbert	"	1 J. B. Bowman 3
Henry C. Naylor	"	66 and he was declared
Elected		

Vote for Relief Committee

Whole no Votes		64	necessary for choice 33
Ward 1	John J. P. Tuttle	6	
" 1	John Smith	21	Carl
" 1	James E. Knott	54	J. E. Knott
Ward 2	James L. Wilson	64	James L. Wilson
Ward 3	Joseph Donaghy	64	Joseph Donaghy
Ward 4	Weston C. Vaughan	64	Weston C. Vaughan
Ward 5	Walter R. Tripp	64	Walter R. Tripp
Ward 6	Henry C. Naylor	63	Henry C. Naylor
Thos Wilson	Geo. W. Carpenter	64	Geo. W. Carpenter
Were declared	Elected		

Vote for Delegates to Dept Convention

	Whole No of Votes	61	
	Necessary for choice	31	
1	George F. Gifford	had 61	Elected
2	Robert Smith	" 60	
3	Thomas N. Comstock	" 57	
4	Nelson R. Beebe	" 60	
5	Warren F. Sergeant	" 61	Elected
6	Frank C. Simmons	" 57	
7	James D. Wilbur	" 57	
	George A. Hayden	5	
	A. B. Jobes	1	

Comrade Andrew J. Smith raised the question as to the eligibility of one of the Comrades, and appealed from the decision of the Com Commander C. V. Commander took the chair and the Commanders decision was sustained by the Vote of the post the question raised was the Comrade was in arrears for dues

Vote for Alternate to Dept Convention

Whole No. Votes		51
Necessary for choice		26
A. C. Price	had	1
E. Rockwood	"	2
W. C. Gifford	"	10
J. Lonbyde		2
Chas. Kipley		1

Allowable Contract

Bill Holder

	Bill Holder	$	
1	Patrick Cannon	51	
2	Henry M. James	50	
3	Phillip A. King	47	Contract
4	Gordon G. Wyllie	47	
5	Thomas H. Poole	50	Elected
6	John D. Sullivan	42	
7	George A. Taylor	46	

Bills

Walthaway Brothers

Edison Electric Light Company

William Waves Was read

It was Voted on motion the Officer may be directed Issued bills
on appearance of the finance Committee

The Committee proceed to
Closed according to the return
R. M. Moore
Sec'y.

Head Quarters William E. Robinson Post No
Dept. Mass G. A. R.

New Bedford Dec 6th 1870

Post opened in due form by Post Commander
Geo. E. Bridford Officers present E. F. C
Chas. E. Allen J. V. C. Chas. W. Kirby Surg.
C. R. Leigh Chaplain A. C. Jones Q. M.
Geo. Smith Asst. Q. M. Geo. L. L. Jenks Comdy
L. C. Lee A. C. Crapo D. A. C. Chas E. M. C.
Lee. S. Crapo.

Records of last meeting was read
and approved Q. M. Jenks read his weekly report
Cash on hand this date $24 46,05

Sick Report To Visit the Sick

C. C. Gifford absent this time — Franklin & Rose
C. J. Mathews " " " — Canavan & Rose
Collins Allen " " " — J. H. C.
Joseph Lewis " " " — Geo. L. Jenks
Albert Hosking " " " — C. Marden
Henry Hines not as well — James E. Knott
Joseph C. Mann better — [illegible]

C. Marden reported the benefit of James Hosking
expired one week from the night that the Post
be refused to the relief com.

William E. Mann) to visit S. V. C. & O. D.
William E. Allen)
Were reported Sick)

Resolutions

Inspection of the Post by the regular
committee of S.C. for this Post- Williams Warren of Post
46 Fall River Mass. Reading the Inspection
Master Report Johns Edwards was duly Appointed a Comrade
of this Post who Signed the rules and regulations

Resolutions

Voted on motion of Comrade C. J. Hamblin to send
a Letter of Sympathy to Comrade William Warren
who Recently Lost his wife by death. The Letter to be
Signed by the Commander and Adjt.

Remarks

Were made by P.C. Williams Warren Comrade
Hamblin McPherson and Comrade Church of
Post-46 Fall River

Bills

of the Year Read and Ordered to be
Paid on Approval of Finance Committee

No. Comrades present—58

Closed according to the ritual

R. W. Snow

Adjt.

Circular Letter from Dept H.Q. Was read and ordered on file

Minutes of meeting held at Post Hd Qrs [illegible]

New Bedford Dec 17th 1866

Post-Council in due form by Post Commander [illegible] C. T. Burgess

Officers Present —

C. V. C. Charles T. Burgess J. V. C. Chas. W. Ripley
Chap. C. B. Jones Surg. H. R. Tripp
Lo. M. John Smith Adjt. R. W. Howe
C. G. Joseph Dunphy C. G. Inc. M. Carpenter
Q. M. [illegible] Q. M. Geo. E. Cuffee

Minutes of last meeting was read and approved

Q. M. read his weekly report —
Cash on hand this date $47,85

Sick report	to Visit Sick
C. C. Gifford — improving	— C. V. Commander
Henry Hines — Not well	— Com. Adjutt
William C Brown — better	—
James Perkins — about same	— Quarter Master
C. F. Mathews — no letter	— C. C. Chamberlain
Collins Pain — about same	— Lieutenants
J. C. Howe — about same	— James C. Adjutt
Joseph Lewis — No report	— Geo. E. Cuffee
Edwin B. Soule — Confined	— C. Sergt

William C Brown was placed on the benefit for one week Edwin B. Soule was placed on the benefit roll from 16 inst. Henry Hines was stricken off the benefit from 16 inst

Voted the sum of Ten Dollars be refunded to the relief com.
The auditing Committee upon bills having examined
the P. M. vouchers for the months December the said finding
them correct had signed the same Voted on motion of the
Surg. the report be accepted and placed on file

Communication

from the W. R. C. No. 53 stating that the grave for which
they raised the funds had been applied, and asking
upon what terms they could have it for another
year. on motion of the Surg. it was voted to let
them have the said another year for the same price as
last year

Transfer

Surge M. Hunter was granted a
transfer Card

No Comrades present — 23
Closed in due form
R. W. Snow adjt.

Head Quarters William D. Rodman Post One

[illegible] Dept. of the [illegible]

New Bedford Dec. 24-18[illegible]

Post-Council in due form by P.C. Comd. [illegible] Clifford

Officers Present [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Chap. W. S. Pierce

Surg. H. R. Tripp

A. M. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

D. G. J. A. G. Smith Pact

S. M. Chas. H. Forbes

Reports of last meeting [illegible] read and [illegible]

Gen. Order [illegible] A. G. [illegible] read [illegible]

and placed on file

Dis'd Comd	Withdrawn
J. C. Clifford — [illegible] —	Comd. Surg.
Wm. Rodman — not well —	resigns Clifford
James Watkins — —	J. P.
Collins Keen — —	C. C.
[illegible] — not well —	C. W. C. [illegible]
[illegible] — absent from —	from E. Rodman
Frank Lewis — absent from —	with J. Chapman
Elwin Wood — killed —	J. V. C., E. Holmes

Pleas [illegible] motion C.W.C. that Brother Pact [illegible] case in regard to benefit of Comrade Wm. Hines be referred to the Chairman of the relief Committee. Carried

Expires

A Communication

from the W. R. C. No 3 inviting the Post to attend the Installation of officers of the Corps in G. A. R. Hall, Jan'y 1891 at 8 O. Clock in uniform was read.

Motion on motion of Bro. R. Joseph Comery, that we attend the installation in uniform.

A Communication

from Comrade William Cross stating that upon motion of Bro. Post removing him as Janitor to fill the hall every day in the week, motion of the Utilities be taken under consideration for an increase of Salary

Voted on motion of Adj't with the communication be received and placed on file

Comrade Austin A. Cushman of this Post now residing in Newburgh invited the Post and after making some interesting remarks presented the Post with four fine good pictures one of General Grant one of Gen. Sherman one of Gen. Logan and one of Gen. Hancock.

Voted on motion of Adj't with the exception the pictures with thanks to be done and same framed and Comrade Post to do.

no Comrades present 43

Good meeting to be stated

R. W. Wood adj't.

Lieut Lucien William S. Kelton. Relieved
Lieut. Jun. U. C. R.

New Bedford Dec. 31st 1890

Post-Commander Com'g U.S.R.C. Gen. R. Gifford

Chief Mate
S. V. C. Charles J. Burgess
G. I. C. Charles W. Rider
Asst. Wm. D. Evans
Surg. Alden K. Sisson
2. M. Geo. Smith
Act. A. M. Owen
C. S. Joseph Lewis
C. S. Sol. A. Cushman
S. M. Chas. H. Forbes
2. Mod. George L. Cooper

Records and Property missed and received
U. S. and is now what they should be

Letter No 12 and Circular Letter H 7, received from Dept H Q
and placed on file

Sick Report		
C. C. Gifford	better	I. C. Hines & Brannan
Wm Evans	not as well	C. F. B. Norman
Alden Sisson	about same	2. M.
Collins Pain		S. V. C.
L. F. Mathews	not as well	Chas. H. Lawrence
John O. Hara	all right	
Joseph Lewis	not as well	Buckley & Knott
C. B. Cook	better	O. D. A. F. Smith

John C. Mara was declared of the benefits dating from to night

John Larama was declared of the benefits dating from Dec. 17th

The application of Jno. Brown for membership in this Post was read and referred to the following Committe for investigation P. Joseph Donaghy Comrades H. J. Smith & Wm. Wilcox

Delinquent Committe

Reported the following named Comrades for suspension

Lewis Halbeton
Thomas Keenan
Charles W. Trifft

} the following Comrades each for dues

Voted on motion of Comrade Geo. C. Sayler the report was excepted

Quarterly report of the

Wm. Logan Post No. W. R. C. 43 was read and it was Voted on motion of Comrade Smith Sayler the report be excepted and placed on file

The application of William Hayes Jr. for membership was taken from the table and it was voted on motion of the Com. that the Initiation fee of the quarter be fifty dollars ($5.00) per year. That it be no extra pay should he not be at every meeting in the week provided he be able to work as he is willing to do. The dues to commence on and from the first Monday in Jan. 1891

Bro L. H. Cox was appointed one of the trustees for the Citizens fund

Comrade W. C. Smith made a motion that the Post contribute the sum of ten dollars to said relief fund and the Commander upon it being voted on motion of Bro L. M that the motion be indefinitely postponed

Bill of Bro. C. Bliss

was voted to be paid on approval of the finance Committee

No Comrades present 33

Communication from the District Convention of the G.A.R. stating the encampment will not be held at Rockville but at South Easton mass. on Sat. Sun. & Mon. Sept 30 Oct 1 & 2 and requesting the Post to send ten delegates.

Discussion limited to the vital

R. W. Snow adjt.

Head Quarters William Logan Post
One Dept. Mass. G.A.R.
New Bedford Jan 7th/91

Post opened in due form by P.C. Com. P. Gifford

Officers Present

S.V.C. Charles F. Burgess
J.V.C. Charles W. Tripp
Q.M. John Smith
Surg. W.R. Tripp
Chap. A.B. Jones
Adjt. R.N. Dunn
O.D. Joseph Lincoln
O.G. Asst. W.H. Carpenter
S.M. Chas. W. Forbes
D.M.G. Geo. L. Swift

Records of last meeting were read and approved
Q.M. read his weekly report - Cash on hand this date
$47.75 - Sick Report to visit the Sick
C.C. Gifford - in town - A.J. Smith - Dr. Tripp
Henry Hains - not well - G.B. Bowman
Lewis Hains - about same - L. Austin
Edwin Perin - " " - Dr. Swift
L.F. Andrews - failing up fast - Dr. Swift
Joseph Lewis - about same - Dr. Tripp Kenyon
E.B. Wood - better - Parkinson - Simmons
William Mosher - was reported Sick Dec 22nd - Dr. Swift
instructed to report
The committee on the application of John Brown

Ch & reported favorable and on a ballot
he was Elected

Bill

of William Hawes for services as Janitor
was read. voted on motion D. S.
W. L. Carpenter the bill be referred to Finance
Committee amended by Comrade A. J. Smith
that on their refusal the bill be paid Ex-parte
by the original mover and the vote carried

No Comrades present 91
Closed according to the ritual
R. W. Shaw adjt—

Installation

After Closing, the doors were thrown open
and the members of W.R. Logan Relief Corps
W. R. C. No. 91 entered and also quite a number
of friends to witness the installation of
officers of the Post for the year of 1891
Installing Post C. Comde P. Gifford
Made an interesting address in which
he reviewed the history of the Post for the last
years he has been Commander
The newly elected officers were
installed by Past Commander Comde J. Smith
as follows

P. C. James F. Burgess
S.V.C. Charles W. Kibby
J.V.C. Joseph Kenney
Surg. Hiram R. Tripp
Chap. Henry B. James
2 M. John Smith
Adjt. R. W. Snow
C. G. J. B. Bowman
C. G. Geo. A. Taylor
S. M. Chas. H. Locke
2. M.S. George L. Durfee

Commander Burgess expressed his thanks for the honor confered upon him &c. &c

Past Commander L. P. Gifford was presented with a gold badge, the presentation speech was made by 2 M. John Smith in a very pleasant and happy manner. The badge was bought by subscription from Comrades of the Post. He was also presented with a sword by S.V.C. Chas. W. Kibby Commander Burgess expressed his thanks for the kindly feeling shown him &c. Short speeches were made by the President and Past Pers. of the W.R.C. and officers of the Post. After which entertainment was had in the Lecture room where a nice supper was had furnished by the new officers of the Post.

R. W. Snow adjt.

Head Quarters William A Redman Post No
New Bedford Jan 11. 1891

Special Meeting of the Post-
Called for the purpose of making arrangements
for the funeral of our late Comrade U. S. Mathews
who departed this life Jan. 9th 1891

to make such arrangements. Voted on motion U. S. Caldwell
that a committee of three be appointed consisting
of the Commander Sup. & Comrade Cooke.

Voted
on motion of Com. Cooke that we turnout in
full uniform and attend the funeral

U. S. Mathews
Journal

Closed with form
R. W. Sowle adjt

Tuesday 13th 1891

In accordance with a vote of the Post- the
remains assembled at the Post room in full
uniform for in and marched in connection with
Vesta Lodge I. O. O. F. with the usual Exercises
and to the cemetery of Wm. E. Chase. When the
funeral services of our late Comrade U. S. Mathews
was held after the services Escorted the remains
to Oak Grove Cemetery where the burial Ceremonies
were performed by Vesta Lodge I. O. O. F. and Post-
after which marched back to our hall and
Broke Ranks

R. W. Sowle adjt

Post Quarters Williamsburgh Pedlman Post 1 in
Dept. Mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford Jan. 14th 91

Post opened in due form by P. C. Charles T. Burgess
Officers present

P. P. C. Charles T. Burgess V. C. Robert R. Crane
P. V. C. Joseph Donaghy Q. M. Geo. B. Brownell
Q. M. John Smith O. D. Sec. A. Snyder
Chap. W. B. Jones O. M. Sergt. C. Fuller
Surg. W. R. Tripp P. M. S. Sec. L. Dupee

Records of last meeting read and approved
Q. M. Read his weekly report Cash on hand this date
— $53.86 —

Sick Report

C. C. Sprout — improving
Henry Niles — not well
Charles Curtis — about same
Edwin Perrin — about same
Joseph Lewis — about same
E. S. Wade — better

Visit Sick

Comds Post Pedlman Comrades
visit & Settle
Comds Smith
Chaplain
James Russell
W. C. Cross — A. G. Smith

Adoniram Gar Mathews
Was reported dead since last Meeting

Muster

Wm. Brown was duly mustered a comrade
of this Post

Comrade Cross & Smith made a motion that
one Hundred dollars $100. be transferd from the
Post fund to the relief fund commended by P. C. Ingra
P. C. the Motion Transfer $100. from the Post to the relief fund

Which was received and laid on the table one Week.

Communication from the President of the R. C. No 53 asking that a committee be appointed for a conference Committee to confer with a Com. from the Corps. Com. Voted that the Same Com. as last Year Serve another Year Consisting of Comrades Lieu. P. Gifford P.C. Chas. H. Burgess Chap. H. B. Reames D. M. John Smith and Comrade S. C. Chamberlain

A Communication from Charles C. Gifford expressing thanks to the Post for the Post taken in the funeral of Wm H. Gifford 2nd and read and it was voted on motion the usual. That the Communication be received and spread upon the Record.

Which is as follows

New Bedford Jan. 18th 1911

To Chas. H. Burgess and members of Post Our Gentlemen allow me to return to you the sincere and heartfelt Thanks of Wm H. Gifford 2nd and family for your Kindness in doing to his son and our Brother Wm H. Gifford 2nd Soldiers burial Such Kindness is highly appreciated by us and Can never be forgotten

Yours Truly
Charles C. Gifford for
the Family

Butt County Con.

in afsil

S. P. C. Cook & Rigdon after making some remarks in the absence of the Butte Co. Convention held at Oroville Eastern this day stated they had without authority from the P.C. invited the Convention to hold their next Session with our Post and a motion of Bro. Gifford it was unanimously voted to ratify the action of S. P. C. Rigdon and that the Convention meet with the Post one day in afsil

After that a vote of thanks be Extended to Mr. Chas. S. Parker for a Bouquet of Artificial Flowers presented to the Post

Officer Chas Bowman in behalf of the Riverside Association asking for the use of the Hall one week for next Friday Evening was on motion the Post granted the request

Communication from Wilcox Post in regard to instructing delegates to the next Encampment in relation to the Returned Rights Union was read and it was voted on motion A. J. Smith that the communication be received and the delegates be instructed to use their own judgment in the matter

Voted on motion S. V. C. Bixby that P. C. C. J. Burgess be a committee of one to Procure a picture of our late Comrade A. J. Mathews have it Framed and hung on the Wall

S. M. C. H. Forbs here

Voted on motion of A. J. Smith that the Pictures presented us by Comrade Chapman Quidally be framed and hung upon the wall in place of others which are now upon the wall

It was on motion of Comrade Caldwell a Committee of 5 be recommended to be one be appointed to take into consideration the feasibility of holding a fair or levying some means whereby we can replenish our relief fund. Comrades appointed J. V. C. Ripley J. V. C. Jones by Comrade C. J. Smith C. J. Foster and Comrade R. L. Caldwell

Comrade C. J. Smith made a motion that the encampment on Sunday evenings until nine O'Clock which was very favorably discussed and on motion of L. M. Smith it was voted the Motion lay on the table one week.

Bills

J. J. Lapham — W. L. Martin — Bill was presented for lighting &c — and same being audited was read and on motion of J. H. C. Hinckley it was voted the usual bill be paid on approval of the finance committee

The Commander appointed James H. Veale pianist for the Year.

no Comrades present — 45 —

Read according to Ritual

R. W. Snow adjt.

Head Quarters William Logan Redman Post
No 1 Dept. Miss. S. L. R.
New Bedford Jan 21 - 1871

Post opened in due form by P. C. Chas. J. Burgess
Officers Present
S. W. C. Chas. W. Ripley J. V. C. Joseph Donaghy
Q. M. John Smith Surg. W. R. Lipp
Chap. Wm B. James Asst. J. H. [illegible]
Officer Guard Officer Day J. B. Bowman
A. J. Smith set-

Records of last meeting was read & approved
Q. M. read his weekly report Cash on hand this Date
$576.52
Gen. Orders Nos. 10 - 11 - 12 from National H. Q.
Was read and placed on file

Sick Report To Visit the Sick
Lt. C. Gifford — gaining — A. C. Price — Kinsley
Henry Hines — no better — John J. Tellie
James Wathing — About Same — Lincoln Mosier
Collins Quin — — — — James E. Knott
Joseph Lewis — — — — John Lombard
E. F. Soule — — — — Luscomb & Kenniu

Report of Committee
The Com. to consider the advisability of holding a Fair, organized by the choice of Commander Burgess as Chairman and Comrade P. Vanovan as Sec. and after discussion of the matter for some time adjourned until Wednesday

Wed Jan 21st 91 the full committe met as per adjournment at 7 h O. Clock P. M. and Voted unaminously to recommend the Post To hold a fair

O. S. Burges Chair
P. Donovan Sec. } for the Com.

And it was voted on motion of S. V. C. Tisley that the report of the com. be Excepted.

Unfinished Buisness

The motion in regard transfering money from the Post fund to the relief fund that was laid on the table for one week. On motion of A. J. Smith was taken from the table Comrade Smith accepted the ammendment of C. G. Taylor to Transfer $200 instead of $100. on the motion as ammended was Carried

transfer $200 instead

The motion in regard to having the Anti room open untill 9 O. Clock Sindy Evening which was laid on the table one week at our last meeting. was on motion of Comrade A. J. Smith taken from the table and it was voted that the Anti room shall be open untill 9 O. Clock Sunday Evenings.

Com. A. J. S. Called made a motion that was made to hold a fair which was after Some discussion voted, to be laid on the table on motion adjt.

The Post was opened under the head of the good of the Order

Dud after remarks by P. C. and others for the good of the Order adjourned to one business and the R. W. read the following.

Bills William Hawes
Head Quarters dept. man.
R. W. Snow

which on motion J. V. C. Joseph Donaghy the Several bills be laid on Financial Com.

no Comrades present 56
Closed according to the ritual
R. W. Snow adjt.

Head Quarters Wm Logan Postman Post-no
dept- Mass. G.A.R.
Northborough Jan. 28th 11
Post-opened in due form by P. C. Chas. J. Bruyn
Officers Present
S. V. Bixby - p. V. Doherty - L. M. Smith -
Surg. Hastings - Chas. Jones - adjt. Snow -
O. D. Bowman O. G. S. F. Longcamb del.
O. M. C. W. Fales - L. M. S. G. L. Dunster

Records of last meeting were read and approved L. M. read his monthly report
Cash on hand this date $40270
dept H. 2.
Gen. Order No 13, was read and placed on file

Sick Report to Visit Sick

C. O. Gifford – better – Gling & Marble

Henry Hines – not visited –

James Working about Same – D. Martin

Collins Perin " " – S.P. Luscomb

Joseph Lewis " " – Vaughn & D.M.S.

E.B. South – better – Gallion & E. Richards

Reported Sick

Alfred R. Morse – – – – King & A.J. Smith

Cornelius Warrington – – –

William Ward – – – – Canovan & J. Richards

Thomas Pilkington – – – – – James F. Tripp

Majority of the Auditing Committee reported having Examined the D.M. report for the month of Dec. and the Quarter ending Dec. 31st '10 and finding them Correct had signed the Same

C.T. Burgess & R.W. Snow
Majority Auditing Com.

On motion D.M.S. [illegible] the report be excepted and placed on file.

A Communication

from John R. Mann Camp S. of V. No 35 asking for the use of the hall next Friday Evening Voted on motion S.V.C. Ripley their request was granted

Br. O.M. Forbs who was appointed a Committe to have the Pictures framed of Gen

U. S. Grant - Sherman Sheridan & Logan and have thumb hung upon the wall made a written report of having attended to that duty. at the expense of $1.00 Voted on motion the adpt. the report be excepted

Voted on motion Com. A. J. Smith that the motion made at our last meeting in regard to holding a Fair which was laid on the table be taken from the table

Fair

Voted on motion of Comrade Chilton the whole matter be indefinitely Postponed

Voted on motion of S. V. C. G. W. Ripley that the Q. M. have full Power to let this hall for one year at a price not less than Thirty four dollars pr. night

Hall

Voted on motion Com. G. P. Gifford that a Committee Consisting of 2 for Each Ward be appointed to Canvas the city with a copy of a Certificate for Associate Membership for this post and the Commander have one week time to appoint the Committee

Associate membership

Voted on motion of Comrade Geo. F. Gifford that an Entertainment Com. be appointed for one year the Commander appointed Com. G. P. Gifford Sloan S. V. C. Ripley adpt. Snow and O. G. Geo. A. Boyle

Entertainment Com.

Open Meeting

Voted on motion of Geo. P. Gifford that the next Open meeting of the Post be held on the evening of Feb. 18th 91 instead of the 11th as the Dept. Convention is held on the 11th & 12th of Feb.

Committee

Voted on motion of Com. G. P. Gifford that a committee of three be appointed by the Commander (he having one weeks time to appoint them) to look after the interest of needy or disabled Soldiers & Sailors.

Amend Bylaws

Comrade Geo. P. Gifford gave notice that two weeks from to night he should make the following motion to ammend the bylaws of the post. that the Post may adjourn at any regular meting upon a majority vote before completing the Order of business as prescribed in the Rules and Regulations.

Bills of

E. B. Chace — Wm. Haws — G. L. Linkham Briggs & Lawrence are voted on motion Surg. to be paid on approval of Finance Committ.

No Comrades Present 43

Closed according to the Ritual.

E. M. Haws Adj.

Head Quarters Wm. L. Rodman Post No
Dept: Mass. G.A.R.

New Bedford Feb 4-1891

Post-Opened in due form by P. C. Chas. S. Burgess
Officers Present- S. V. C. Chas. W. Ripley Jr. V. C
Joseph Donaghy Q. M. John Smith Surg
H. R. Shipp Chap. P. C. Jonas P. W. Snow
O. D. J. B. Bowman O. G. N. Kinsley Q.M.S. G.L. Burgess

Records of last meting was read & approved
Q. M. read his Weekly report-Cash on hand this date $420,28
Gen Orders 13 from Dept: H.Q. was read and placed on file

Sick Report-		To Visit the Sick
C. C. Sisson	Steady improving	Commander
Henry Weins	no better	O. D.
James Wacking	About Same	Q. M.
Collins Perin	Comfortable	Gallion
Joseph Lewis	not as well	Jennings
E. B. Soule	improving	A. D. Rice
A. R. Morse	better	E. Richards
O. Hannington	About Same	J. E Knott
William Waves	no better	marble
Thomas Weightington	About Same	B. F. Luther

A. R. Morse
O. Hannington
Wm. Weaves
Thomas Weightington
} now placed on Benefit Rating from to night

(Report Com. on funeral of A. J. Matheuos)

Reports of Committees

The Com. on the funeral of our late Comrade A. J. Matheuos made a written report having attended to their duties and submitted the following bill Music $15.00 Horses $5.00 total $20.00 Signed

C. J. Burgess
H. R. Lipp
W. B. James
) Committee

Voted on motion C. F. Gifford the report be excepted

Commander asked for one weeks further time to appoint the Committee to canvas the City for Associate membership Voted his request be granted

(Com. to solicit Subscriptions for Flag &c)

Commander appointed Comrades J. D. Wilbur C. F. Gifford & D. M. a Committee to look after the interest of needy Soldiers & Sailors in regard to State and Military aid

D. M. read his report for the month of Jan 1891 referred to Auditing Com.

Commander appointed R. W. Snow S. C. Chamberlain — & F. Canavan Audit Committee

(Communication Post 11)

A communication from Abram Lincoln Post 11th Dept-man. G. A. R. stating that Charles E. Washburn of that Post was reported in needy circumstances and asking this Post

to relieve his wants and the Post to be reimbursed by $ 1
11 for actual expense the said Bray to be

Voted the communication
be received and the matter be referred to the Commander and
relief Committee for Mud Jone

Voted on motion of G. P. Gifford the
adjt. notify the city treasurer and Overseers of
the Poor in regard to the action of the Post in appointing
a committee to confer with them as to procuring aid
for needy and disabled Soldiers sailors and to
give the name of said Committee

S. V. C. Ripley made a motion that the Q. Master
be authorized to purchase 15 Copies for the Post the
Price not to exceed Sixty Cts. his Chair

Voted on motion Quarter Master
that the motion lay on the table three weeks

Comrade Geo. P. Gifford made a motion
that the Quarter master purchase 10 subscribers
associate membership for the use of the Committee
Soliciting Members for the Same

The Commander ruled the
motion out of order on account of the expense
being more than ten dollars. But a vote the Post
the Commander does not sustained and on motion
of the Q. M. it was voted that the motion lay on the
table until after the appointment of the Committee
to solicit Subscriptions for membership

[illegible] on [illegible] of the Entertainment Committee [illegible] power to build a temporary platform to use for Entertainments &c.

Etc

Mercer Rob. Co [illegible] Vesta Lodge I.O.O.F.
Chas. S. Taylor [illegible] Geo. Bliss
C. Anthony Bros. N. B. Savings Bank
Wells [illegible] Thompson &c. [illegible] was read and on motion [illegible] it was voted that said bill be paid on approval of the Finance Committee

No Comrades Present — 33
Closed in due form
E. N. [illegible]

Head Quarters Wm. S. Robinson Post [illegible]
Dept Mass. G. A. R.
New Bedford Feb. 11/91

Post opened in due form by S. V. C. Capt. A. Ripley Officers Present — S. V. C. C. Donaghy J. V. C. S. M. Chamberlain Asst Surg. [illegible] Chaplain not. Q. M. R. M. S. G. L. Durfee not Chaplain J. M. Carpenter Asst O. D. P. B. Bowman O. S. Geo. A. Taylor Adjt. E. N. Snow S. M. Chas. A. Stubbs.

Records of last meeting were read and approved

Sick Report		To Visit the Sick
C. C. Siffard	— no report —	A. L. Smith
Henry Hines	— about same —	Officer Day
James Hacking	— no report —	2 P.M.
Collins Prin	— about same —	Sutton
Joseph Lewis	— not as well —	evenings
E. B. Soule	— do as to be out —	
A. R. Morse	— " " " " —	
C. Hannaton	Better —	Geo. E. Knell
William Hawes	— no better —	John Noble
Thomas Washington	better —	B. F. Sutton

Andrew Pinal reported sick to night —
A. R. Morse was declared of the benefit from to night

Applications

of Nathan D. Gordon and Alfred Allen were read and referred to Committee for investigation that of Gordon to Bro. H. Clough — A. L. Prince and Nelson Kinsley that of Allen to Bro. A. Taylor with G. Simpson and A. L. Smith

The aud. Committee reported having Examined the Quarter Masters report for the month of Jan. 1891 and finding them correct had approved the same & asked the report be accepted and placed on file

Voted on motion

of the act. Comrade C. P. Siffard notice to make a motion to amend the by laws be Extended 2 weeks Closed in from R. W. Smith 2 Feb.

Pd. Journals
Jan 31 -

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post 10
Dept-Mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford Feb 18th/91

Post Quarters in Building of P. C. Cook & Sons.

Officers present—S. V. C. Chas. H. Rupley.
" J. V. C. Joseph Donaldson
Surg. Lt. C. Tripp
Q. M. John Smith
Chap. A. P. Sawin
Adj. R. H. Snow
Officer D. G. B. Bowman
Officer G. Geo. A. Boyden
O. G. Chas. E. Bly
Q. M. S. Geo. D. Durfee

Visitors' last meeting was read and approved
Q. M. read Circulars and Bills laid on table.

Sick Report To Visit Sick

C. C. Ward — gaining — J. B. Hunt & J. Wilbur
Comp. Rose — some better — Chas E. Nutter
Wm. Austin — bad time — Lucia Smith
Chas. Peirce — " " — Chas. Grant
Wm. Lewis — poorly — Geo. Hall
Clarence Low — better — Boyden
Mr. Chase — some better — Edmund T. Merlin
Mrs. Washington better — W. T. Sutton
Mrs. Wood better — Benjamin Wade

E. P. Wade was elected of Knights from to night
and he & his wife was elected in the Benefit
dating from to night

Voted on motion Comrade Geo. P. Gifford that the balloting for the officers elect Allen and Nathan D Gordon be dispensed until next meeting.

Report of Committee be appointed to solicit means to enable the Post to visit Detroit next Summer to the National Convention and their report recommending that a Treasurer be appointed to receive all moneys that comrades may from time to time subscribe to or in their own behalf to pay Expenses for the trip. to run a book on which the loan, that may be received. and the amount subscribed to with interest if comrade should not go desire to do.

The Committee also recommend that a committee of five be appointed to devise & originate by lawful exercises Entertainments &c. to raise money to pay the Expense of engaging a band of music with the Post.

And it was Voted on motion of Geo. P. Gifford the report of the Committee be received and the recommendations of the Com. adopted. and a treasurer. Asst. was appointed ____ Voted on motion A. Smith that a committee of five be appointed by the Commander to have one weeks time to appoint, said Committee to solicit the donations &c. and said Committee to have power to invite such parties to aid them

The matter in relation to meeting Oct 6 with Comrades from Ann Arbor Wednesday P. M. &c. be referred to the relief Committee

Motion of C. H. Dec. 1. Taylor that the
D. M. have the tubs & Pails in the entertainment
filled up in proportion to the motion seconded
by A. J. Smith that C. H. Dixon do the work
Amendment Carried by the original mover
and the motion as amended was carried

A Communication

from Comrade Austin V. Cushman presenting
this Post with a collection of Engravings
Celebrated Battle Scenes, in the name of Mrs.
Cushman and Lydia Wright Esqr who represent
the estate of their late father Wm. E. Graham Wright
deceased late 1st Lieut Co. F. 7th Reg. New York
Volunteers on motion of C. J. Smith that we Except the
Present and the subject lay over for further
action

Present & Voting

Bills

Of Geo. H. Wallace W. H. Engle & Anthony Dons
were read. Voted on motion Com. D. S. Caldwell
that Small Bill be paid on approval thereof
Committee

Comrades Present — one Hundred
& Closed in due form
R. W. Snow adjt.

An Entertainment was held after Closing with
the W. R. C. & S. of V. and Friends when a very
Enjoyable Entertainment was held to a Crowded
House

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post No
dept- Mass. G. A. R.

Newtonville Feb. 25th 1881

Post- Opened in due form By P. C. Thos. A. Burgess

Officers Present-

S. V. C. Chas. W. Ripley	J. V. C. Joseph Donaghy
Q. M. John Wright	Surg. Hudson Risley
Chap. H. P. Snow	Adjt. F. W. Snow
Officer Day F. B. Bowman	O. G. Geo. A. Taylor
Q. M. S. C. A. Hobbs	Q. M. S. Geo. L. Durfee

Records of last meeting was read and approved

Q. M. Report Cash on hand this date $03. 81

Gen. Order No 1 from dept H. Q. was read and placed on file

Sick Report-	To Visit Sick
C. C. Gifford — better —	Rhines Noyes
Henry Haines — about Same —	A. F. Eastwood
James Wacking — " " —	Guard Martin
Collins Heinl — " " —	Officer Guard
Joseph Lewis — " " —	John Watt
C. Harrington — better	A. F. Eastwood
William Haines — "	A. V. Ripley
Thomas Wrightington	Richards

and no Visit at Work and declared off the benefits from last night

C. H. Mackie reported Sick- Chap & Adjt.

Voted on motion of C. W. Ripley that the Motion to lay on the applications of Alfred Allen and Nathan D. Gordon on the table for one week at our last meeting be taken from the table &

Ballot and on a ballot Nathan L Gordon
Was Elected

The application of Alfred
Allen was refered back to the Vouchers
on acct. of an Error in said application

Report of Committee

The relief Committee Reported that they had
expended the sum of five dollars for the
benefit of Comrade Chas. E. Washburn of Port
Elezen. Voted on motion of Comrade S. P. Gifford
that the matter be left with the D. M. for action

Unfinished Business

On the Motion of S.V.C. Chas. W. Ripley 3 weeks ago
that the D. M. be authorized to Purchase 75 Chairs
the cost not to exceed 60 cts per Chair
which was laid on the table for 3 weeks was
Voted on motion of Comrade S. P. Gifford the motion
was taken from the table
the motion was declared illegal on account
of the Expense not conforming with our
Bylaws

The motion made by Comrade
S. P. Gifford to purchase one Hundred Certificates
of associate Memberships for the use of the Com.
Soliciting Membership and was laid on the
table until after the appointment of Committee
the Commander having appointed Said Com.
it was voted the motion be taken from the

the table the Expence exceeding the amount allowing the Post to Expend without due notice as pr. Bylaws the motion was declared out of Order

Comrade G. P. Gifford gave notice Jan. 28. that he should make a motion to ammend the Bylaws of the Post. So that the Post may adjourn at any regular meeting upon a majority vote before Completing the order of business as prescribed in the Rules and Regulations. Feb. 11th the notice was Extended 2 weeks By vote of the Post. which brought Come up for action this meeting - and on motion of A. J. Smith the Subject was taken from the table

Bylaws Ammended

The motion made & seconded and by a vote of the Post-Carried

Voted on motion of Comrade G. P. Gifford that the Subject of the presentation of Pictures by Comrade As. S. Cushman be taken from the table and it was voted that the Post-Except the Present of the Pictures and a vote of thanks be Extended to Comrade Cushman and through him a vote of thanks to the donors Mrs. Wright and Ogden Wright Esqr. who represent the Est. of E. Graham Wright - 1st Lieut Co E. 7th Reg N. Y. N. Y.

Pictures Presented by Cushman

Voted on motion G. P. Gifford that a Committee of five be appointed as a memorial day Com. the Commander to be one of the Committee The Commander appointed to serve on that Committee Comrade G. P. Gifford S. V. C. Ripley Jas V. C. Donaghy

Memorial day Com.

And Comrade A. J. Smith

Voted on motion of Comrade A. J. Smith that a committee of two be appointed consisting of the S. M. Forbs and Comrade S. J. Simpson to have care of the Pictures presented by Comrade Cushman Post

The Committee appointed to secure Scribers for Associate Membership Are as follows

Ward 1 John Smith & James H. Saxton
" 2 S. P. Luscomb & William Hawes
" 3 Geo. P. Gifford & J. H. Hathaway
" 4 William Sandus & J. B. Russell
" 5 Robert W. Tuber & A. B. Wady
" 6 Geo. A. Taylor & Geo. England

the Com. to solicit Subscription &c for Land & Expenses to national Con. at Detroit must summon the Com. appointed viz Smith Geo. P. Gifford W. Sandus S. V. Kelley C. T. Hoffman

Voted on motion A. G. Taylor that a committee be appointed to confer with the Parties of the different Churches in regard to holding Memorial Services in honor of our late illustrious Comrades Gen W. T. Sherman and Admiral Porter

Voted on motion of J. V. C. Donaghy that the Post procure 50 Copies of Associate membership Certificates

Bill of Geo. W. Walker was read voted on motion Surgeon the bill be paid on approval Finance Com. Chairman inform R. W. Brown

Com. Present 37 adjt-

Head Quarters Wm Logan Coleman Post No
Dept Miss. G. A. R. Meridian Miss March 1
Post Opened in due form by Post Cr. Chas A. Burgess

Visiting Present P. V. Co C. M. Hight 2d Dragoons P. V. Co A
not Present 2. M. J. Smith Surg. H. K. Leigh Chapl.
H. B. Gaines Adjt. C. W. Cook O. D. J. B. Bowman
O. G. Geo. A. Taylor S. M. Chas. M. Foster 2 M. S.
Geo. L. Durfee

Records of last meeting was read
and Approved 2. M. Report was received
This date 408,42

Com. Order No 14-15 Re from National H. Q. and
No 2 from Dept H. Q. was read and placed on
file

Sick Report Report Sick
C. C. Gifford - Improving - Remains in my tent
Henry Gaines - absent-Same - Com. Dept
James Harding - " " - 2. M.
Collins Perin - " " - O. G.
Joseph Lewis - not at well Com. John Hall
Pl. Livingston - better -
W. H. Hayes - - Com. Duncomb
Mc. Washington all right
C. M. Hight not as well C. V.
Com. Thos Washington was elected to the benefit
list - dating from to night

per resolution

Application of Alfred Allen, Esq. com. received favorable and on a ballot he was Elected

Member Nathan D. Gordon was duly munuced and after signing the Rules & Regulations took his seat as full member of this Post

Report of Committee

The Committee appointed to repair the Lobs and rails made the following report; The Lobs and rails have been put in good order neatly painted and painted at the Expense of Com. Sellers and Esq. Co. Geo. A. Hyler Com. Voted on D. M. D. the report was Excepted

The Committee appointed to procure a picture of our late Com. C. G. Mathews made the following report in writing have procured the Picture of Com. Mathews and Contracted the following bills. R. N. B. Deane $7.85 for Picture C. M. Rhodes framing the same $1,00 total $8.85

C. F. Burgess Com.

Voted on motion C. G. Smith the report was Excepted

New Business

Voted on motion Com. A. C. Smith the adjt. and Com. A. C. Price be added to the Committee to Solicit for our tuition to present to the national Com. Encampment

Communication from Encampment No 6 Union Veteran Legion stating that having elected a board of their own trustees to obtain the use of G.A.R. hall after this date. Voted on motion G.H.C. Dempsey the communication be received and placed on file

The Q. M. read his report for the month of February referred to the auditing committee

Commander appointed G.H.C. Dempsey, C. J. Taylor & Serg.t Smith as delinquent committee for the ensuing year.

Voted on motion A.J.Smith that the com. appointed as assistant Serg. the Commander asked for one week's time to make the appointment, which request was granted

Voted on motion of Com. Carpenter that we tender a vote of thanks to Officer Steward Geo. A. Taylor for opening the hall & fires belonging to the Post.

A visiting Comrade Jesse Pontius of R.S. made some remarks for the good of the Order

Comrade Chas. A. Clark resigned from Sedgwick and granted an honorable discharge by visiting to join a Post about to be organized at East Hartwell where he now resides

Bills
of Geo. Wallace — Geo. A. Taylor
N.B. Gas light Co. — C. H. Fisher
R. N. B. Doane — Were read. Voted
on motion Brig. Gen'l bills be paid
on approval of Finance Committee

Commdr Present 37
Absent in the Town
H. M. Commdr

Head Quarters W. L. Hodgson Fort one
Hundred Town. G. N. B. New Bedford Mch. 5 1881
Special meeting ordered in due form by
P. C. Capt. C. Burgess Call of meeting to
take action in regard to the funeral of our
late Com. F. H. MacKie
Voted on motion Brig. that the three first
officers of the Post be a committee to Procure
a Floral tribute for the funeral. the Family
not wishing any parade. and then being
no further business to attend without form
R. M. Snow Adjt.

Special meeting

Head Quarters Dept. of Colorado and Dept. Mass. G.A.R.

Denver Col. Oct. 6th 1881

Post opened in due form by P.C. Chas. J. Burgess
Officers present V.P.C. C.H. Richards, A.P.C. [illegible]
Q.M. John Smith, Surg. A.S. Kipp, Chap. A.B. Jones
Lt. R.R. Rice, O.G. G.B. Seaman, O.G. D.L. Lamont
act. A.D.C. Chamberlain, Q.M.S. Chas. Jennings et.

Reports of last meeting were read and adopted

Q.M. Report Cash on hand this date $29.11

Sick & Dead — Visit Sick

Com. C.C. Gifford — improving —
" Henry Hines — not as well —
" James Wareing — about Same —
" Calvin Weir — Comfortable —
" Joseph Lewis — feeling better —
" Harrington — So as to be out —
" D.L. Lamont — Improving —
" Charles Chandler reported sick, Visit him V.P.C. & D.C.
" Comrade Com. C. Morris is reported sick
Since our last meeting

New Business

Voted on motion of Com. L.M. that a purchase be made of Certificates of Associate membership

Voted

on motion of V.C. that Comrade Com. C. Gifford be committee of one to purchase them

The Commander appointed Comrade Stevens

As an assistant Surgeon

Bills of

Lieut. H. Whittle – C. Anthony, Lieut.

Comdr. Wallace Ingraham. Ident.

on motion of A. G. Smith the several bills be

Read and approved by Finance Committee

No Comrades present 42

Closed in due form

R. H. Thom adjt.

H. Q. Wm L. Rodman Post-One dept. Mass.

G. A. R. New Bedford March 18th 1891

Post opened in due form

By Post Commander Chas. L. Burgess

All Officers Present

Records of last meeting were read and approved

L. M. report taken in hand this date #42402

Sick report Visit Sick

Henry Hines – better –

Geo. Hacking – Same – L. M.

Collins Peck – " – L. G.

Joseph Lewis – " – Brew & Parkinson

Wm. Howes – better Commander

P. C. Gatlin – no report

C. C. Gifford – Same C. D. Swan

E. J. Wilson Reported Sick J. V. C. J. V. C.

Chas. Jennings Reported Sick Asst. Chamberlain

Reports of Committee

The auditing Com. reported having examined the 2. M. report for the months of Feb. 1881 finding them correct had affixed the same

Voted on motion of C. P. Lyford that report be accepted and placed on file

the Com. to make arrangements for the funeral of our late comrade J. M. Martin reports in readiness Voted the Motion of C. G. that the report be accepted and placed on file

Detroit

Voted on motion S. V. C. C. W. Kipley that this Post attend the national Convention to be held in detroit next September as a Post and use every kind of music with us

Voted on motion S. V. C. C. W. Kipley that the Committe appointed on the Nat. Con. to be held at Detroit have full Power to make all necessary arrangements

Voted on motion of Com. A. J. Smith that this Post tender their Services as escort to the dept Commander for the nat. Con. next Sept.

A Communication from the dept. of Dacota asking aid for Comrades in that dept. Endorsed by the nat. Com. in chief but not through our dept Head Quarters it Was Voted on motion D. M. the Com. lay on the table

Voted on motion of S. V. C. C. W. King
That a committee of three to be known as a
Hall Committee and further to see what can
be done in regard to securing a Suitable
Hall and rooms for the Post to hold meetings
&c. and report to the Post at some future
meeting. The Commander to have one weeks time
to appoint said Com.

Voted on motion Com. Smith
that a Com. of five be appointed to report at
the next meeting in regard to having a
Calm bake or Supper.

Commander appointed
on that Com. H. J. Smith S. V. C. C. C.
A. O. Rice and Self.

Voted on motion H. J. Smith
Comrade King be added to the committee

Voted on motion Com. Geo. P. Gifford
that a committee of 3 be appointed to
look after the delegates of the Bristol Co
Convention which meet with us next
month the Com appointed Com. G. P. Gifford
S. V. C and J. V. C. Voted on motion Com.
S. J. Sampson the Commander was added
to that Committee

Voted on motion of Com.
G. P. Gifford that the Capt. of the Sons
of Vet. be notified that some of the Sons
have Keys to the hall and have used the hall

for afternoon meeting Invitations &c. and that they be requested to give up such keys

Bills of

Wm. Rice E. W. Wallace W. H. Warburton

was read & Voted on motion duly. That the several bills be Paid on approval thereof

Committee

Members Present 37

Closed in form

R. W. Snow adjt.

Head Quarters William L. Kedman Post-Com

dept. Mass. G. A. R.

Fall River March 25th 1891

Post opened in due form by P. C. Chas. S. Burgess

Officers Present

S. V. C. Chas. M. Kirby J. V. C. J. Donaghy Q. M. J. Smith

Surg. H. R. Chipp Chap. H. B. James adjt. R. W. Snow

O. D. J. B. Bowman O. Guard G. A. Taylor S. M. C. H. Yates

2. Musicians Quartermaster Sergeant

Sick Report Visit-Sick

Comm. Hines — Same better

Sam'l Hacking — " " — Quarter Master

Collins Perin — about Same — Officer Guard

Joseph Lewis — " " — Bugler & Richard

William Reeves — better

P. C. Gaskyn —

C. C. Gifford — better Com. D. Chamberlain

E. J. Wilson — Comfortable — J. V. & Vegus
Chas. Jennings — Some better — B. V. & G. F. Gifford

Benefit

C. Hannington declared off the benefit list dating from to night

Comrades E. J. Wilson & Chas. Jennings placed on the benefit dating from to night

Reported Sick

Comrades Gallion and James R. Brown reported Sick & visit Com. Gallion Com. Canovan & Soule To visit Com. James R. Brown Chap. and C. D.

Hall Committe

Commander appointed O. Guard Geo. A. Taylor Chap. W. B. James and Com. Wilbur. Voted on motion C. G. that the Commander be added to the Committe.

Voted on motion C. G. that we extend an invitation to the W. R. C. 53 Sons of Veteran and the Clergy to attend an open meeting of the Post to be held April 6th 1891 25 anniversary of the organization of the G. A. R. Voted on motion of Com. G. F. Gifford that three of the Post be a committe to make all necessary arrangements for celebrating the 25 anniversary of the G. A. R.

Bills

Geo. N. Wallace ours read

Voted on motion Com. the bill be paid on approved Finance Committe

No Comrades Present 50

Closed in form R. W. Soule adjt.

After which a Clam Suppe Was discussed in the anti Room

Head Quarters William L. Eadman Post One Dept Mass
G.A.R.

New Bedford April 1st 1891

Post opened in due form by P.C. Capt. L. Burgess

Officers Present

S.V.C. Capt. S. Ripley	J.V.C. Comm. Smith
Q.M. Wm. Smith	Surg. H.K. Leigh
Chap. H.S. Jones	Adj. H.H. Crane
O. Day C.S. Brownell	O.G. Lt. L. Hayden
S.M. C.A. Tubbs	Q.M.S. Sec. L. Luce

Records of last meeting read and approved.

Q.M. Reported Cash on hand this date 43.64

Gen. Orders No 19 and Circular No 4 from National H.Q. was read and placed on file

Sick Report		To Visit Sick
Collins Perin	About Same	J.V. & L.L.
Joseph Lewis	" "	O.D. & Gallion
C.L. Clifford	Improving Slowly	Haden & Q.M. Smith
C.A. Wilson	Unfavorable	Com. & J.P. Clifford
Chas. Manning	About Same	O.D. & Chap.
James H. Brown	Better	Brown & Q.M.
Stetson & Jenneville	Reported Sick	Q.M. & Risley
S.C. Chamberlain		S.V.C. & Adj't
Benj. Hafford		Q.M. & Risley

Q.M. read his Quarterly report for the quarter Ending March 31st 1891 Referred to auditing Committee

Application of Chas S. Shepard of Nantucket was read and referred to the following Committee for investigation S.V.C. Ripley Adj't Crane and Comrade C.P. Clifford

Bristol Co.

Commander appointed the following list of delegates to the Bristol Co. Convention viz. Br. P. H. King C. C. Sec. A. Wright A. C. Shaw Com. C. C. Burgess S. V. C. H. Kinsley S. P. Dunnell Chas. Wooden Capt. A. B. James E. Pond Jr. S. Wilbur

Voted on Motion Com. A. J. Smith that the Bill for the entertainment of the Bristol County delegates be paid from the Hall fund

The Quarterly Report of the W. R. Corps #53 was read. Voted on motion Geo. P. Gifford the report be received and placed on file

Communication from the W. R. C. #33 and Vols of Volume #33 were read & ordering the invitation to be present at the meeting of 35th Anniversary of the organization of the G. A. R. April 6 1871

A Communication from the Com. of arrangements of the J. M. P. S. & B. Society inviting the Post to attend a fair to be held in City Hall Mass and Voted on motion J. V. the Com. be laid on the table

Voted on motion of Com. Kinsley that the Relics of our late Comrades Rod of honor be arranged in order. Voted on motion Com. G. P. Gifford that Com. Kinsley be a committee to arrange them.

Bills

E. Anthony Sons Co. Dollars and for Certificates of Associate membership was read. Voted on motion that C. C. the same will be paid on approval Finance Com.

Comrade Paine & Co read in due form R. W. Snow adjt.

Headquarters W. L. Pedmar Post one Dept-Mass
G. A. R.

Special Meeting

Called in accordance with Gen. Order no 17 from Nat H
to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the Organization
of the G. A. R. With invited guest W. R. C. no 23 and
Sons of Vets. Camp, 35. Meeting called to order by P. Com.
Chas. T. Burgess the exercises commenced by Singing
Several Patriotic Songs. When at precisely 8-30 Oclock
Gen. Order, no 18, from Nat. H.2. was read followed by the reading of
a memorial letter from Nat. H.2 the audience standing at
attention after which the Commander received the history
of the Post from its Organization till the Present time
Bro L. M. James President of the W. R. C. no 53 gave a
history of the corps from its Start with the amount of
Relief Expended and work done for relief &c
Bro. H. Carpenter Capt. Sons of Vets Camp, 35
reviewing the past and present prosperity of the camp.
A reading by Chaplain James was the next in order
Subject The G. A. Button
C. C. Bro A. Taylor favored the
audience with an inlisting address and was
followed by Com. Sallen giving a brief history and
interesting History of the War in the border States
The Meeting closed by Singing America

R. W. Sword adjt.

Headquarters William Logan Redman Post One
Dept. Mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford April 5th 1871

Post opened in due form by P. C. Chas. J. Burges

Officers Present

S. V. C. Chas. W. Ripley J. V. C. Joseph Dunphy
Q. M. John Smith Surg. H. R. Tripp
Chap. H. B. Jones Adjt. R. H. Swan
Officer day J. B. Bowman C. G. Geo. A. Taylor
S. M. C. H. Inks S. M. S. Geo. L. Dwyer

Records

of last meeting was read and approved

Quarter Masters Report

Cash on hand this date $ 458.19

General Order No 20

from National H. Q. was read and placed on file

Sick Report — Visit Sick

Chas. Perin — About Same — C. Guard Geo. A. Taylor
Joseph Lewis — More Comfortable — Backus & P. H. King.
C. C. Clifford — improving — Brayley &
E. S. Wilson — Gaining — Com. & S. F.
Chas. Jennings — better — Adj. & Q. M.
James R. Bevan — " " — Edwards & Brayley
S. E. Demouville — not as well — Luscomb "
Benj. Rafferty — out —
Sick { Seth Hatch — } Reported Sick — Wm. Hatch & Wrenden
{ L. A. Washburn — } — A. C. Peirce

Comrades

William Ware declared off benefit list to night
S. E. Demouville Placed on benefit list to night

Relief Committee

Committee on the application of Cadet S. Heywood to be relieved
from duty was duly read & acted on motion Com. B. it was Resolved
that the report be accepted and on a ballot it was elected

Building Committee reported referring the Quarter
Masters report for the Quarter Ending March 31st 1871
Voted the report be accepted and placed on file

A letter from the Assistant Adjt. Gen. U. S. Army
stating that the Genl Commanding Desired the
services of the post as escort at the Parade in Detroit
next Aug. was read
on motion D. H. C. Voted that the matter in relation
to the post celebrating on Saturday be postponed

Voted on motion Adjt. Gen & Staff be
be added to the committee of arrangements for the Nat. Con.
at Detroit Voted in motion of Com. A. J. Smith Com.
George P. Sigsbee be added to the same Committee

Bills of
Thos Wilson & Co. Com. J. Miller Jno. A. Sigsbee
R. Wilson Chas. Hale & Co. and John Smith & Co
read on motion J. V. C. that the several bills
be paid on approval of the Finance Com. amended
by Com. A. J. Smith that the bills of Com. Hale & Co.
for Framing Tickets be laid on table the Com. to
Made their report motion carried as amended

The Commander present 39 Members in com. P. M. Sherman Adjt.

Adjt Gen. directs Detail Escort Detail

Added to Detail Com.

Headquarters N. L. Redman Post No 1 Dept
Mass. G. A. R.
New Bedford April 15th 1891.
Post opened in due form by P. C. Chas. L. Briggs
Officers present
S. V. C. J. Donaghy acting J. V. C. Com. Chamberlain
acting Q. M. H. L. Q. Dupee acting Surg. H. K. Tripp
Chap. H. B. James acting R. W. Snow O. D.
L. B. Bowman O. Guard Geo. A. Taylor S. M.
C. H. Forbes.

Records of last meeting was
read and approved

2. M. Report Cash on hand this date $464,15

Sick Report

Collins Paine — about Same
Joseph Lewis — — —
C. C. Gifford — — —
E. J. McLean — — —
Chas. James — better
J. E. Demoranville — —
Seth. Welch — — —
L. A. Washburn —
P. H. King — } Reports
Nathan Knight — } Sick
James Mathews — }

Visit Sick

Officer Guard
Marble & Pickingson
A. J. Smith & S. Wilcox
Bliss & C. F. Gifford
Vinal & D. H. Fitch
Spooner & D. M. S.
S. F. Washburn & Briggs
A Morse & C. L. Briggs
C. D. & —
S. M. & Keyes

Report of Committee
to make arrangements for the 25th Anniversary of our
order, read their report Voted on motion D. M. S.
that the report be received and placed on file

Minutes

Caleb G. Shepard was mustered a Comrade of this Post. Application of Chas. A. Moreland was read and referred to the following Committee for investigation Q. P. Geo. A. Taylor and Comrades P. Cannon and S. O. Chamberlain. Committee on associate membership asked for Power to add to the Committee and all Comrades to Co-operate in obtaining names. Voted on motion Comrade A. J. Smith that request has granted

Bills of
G. W. Wallace
Diggs & Laurence
Was read. Voted on motion Q. P. the bills be paid on
approval finance Committee
No Comrades Present - 16
Closed in due form
W. W. Wallace Adjt.

Meet pursuant to Resolution Post Com.
Asst Mar. U. S. R.
New Bedford April 22nd 1871
Post Opened in due form by Post Com. Chas. J. Burgess
Officers present
S. V. C. Chas. W. Ellis Jr. V. C. G. Smalley J. M.
John Smith Surg. H. R. Tripp Chap. M. B. James
Adjt. F. W. Wallace Q. M. J. B. Bowman O. of D.
Geo. A. Taylor. S. M. C. M. Fuller 2. M. S. Geo. A. Simpson
Records of last meeting read and approved
Q. Master & Post Custom absent This date 4 91 11

Committee on the application of Chas. L. A. Woodman
to sporting uniforms
the application withdrawn by the

Sick Report		Visit Sick
Collins Stein	Same	S. V. C. and J. V. C.
Joseph Reuss	" "	Barkus – Klotz
C. C. Gifford	better	Com. – O. D.
E. C. Wilson	" "	Insp – Chamberlain
James R. Brown	not so well	A. Mess – Robinson
Seth Welch	better	A. Braley – W. W. Welch
Nathan Knight	" "	Condon – Clayton
James Matheros	improving	Spooner – Peirce
Lt. Bartlett	reported sick	Inside – A. J. Smith

The Committee

appointed to make arrangements to entertain the members of the Bristol Co. Con. and their report: Voted on motion of Comrade S. C. Chamberlain the report be accepted and placed on file. Voted on motion Com. Chamberlain that a written vote of thanks be tendered the W. H. C. #53 for Service rendered at the Bristol Co. Convention held in Post one hall Sept. 8th

Good of the Order

remarks from a visiting Comrade and Com. of the Post were listened to.

Returned to our Business.

Voted on motion of S. V. C. Ripley that Comrade Bartlett be a committee of one to procure a picture of our late comrade Dr. John H. Mackie

Picture Mackie

Bills

Geo. W. Wallace	C. W. Ripley
Mansion House	Bliss & Nye.
E. C. Millikin	J. C. Shuman & Son
Mansion House	Wm. Carter

Was read and ordered filed on approval of Finance Committee on motion of the Surgeon

2 Bills of

Chas. Tabor & Co was read and laid aside by the Commander Contracting Committee having not conformed to the rules of the Post

Comrades present — 35 —

Closed in form

R. W. Shaw adjt

Head Quarters Wm. L. Tiedeman Post one hundred and fifty one Dept. Mass. G. A. R.

Post opened in due form by P. C. Chas. S. Burgess

Officers Present

S. V. C. Chas. N. Kelly — J. V. C. Joseph Doughty
Q. M. John Smith — Surg. M. R. Tilton
Chap. M. B. Jones — Adjt. R. W. Shaw
Officer of Day J. B. Bowman O. G. Geo. A. Taylor
Q. M. Sergt. Hobbs Q. M. Sergt. Geo. L. Phelps

Records of last Meeting was read and approved
Q. M. report — cash on hand this date $477.34

Sick report — to visit the sick

Collis Davis — about the same — O. G.
Joseph Lewis — " " " — Perry D. Kramer
C. C. Gifford — " " " — A. D. S. Green

Visit-Sick

E. T. Wilson — better — J. N. Wilcox & Dixon
James R. Brown — " " Chapt. & C. D.
Seth Veatch — about Same Corman & Price
Nathan Knight — better
James Mathews — about Same Lambert & G. F. Stafford
Leopold Bartell — better Com. & Chamberlain

Benifit-List

Com. Seth Veatch was placed on the benifit-list dating from April 15th
Comrades Nathan Knight and James Mathews were placed on the benifit-list dating from April 22nd
Comrade Bartell placed on the benifit-list dating April 29th

Reported Sick — Com E. M. Pinal reported Sick to visit him P. M. King & Collins Chase

Reports of Committee

Picture Frames — The Committee on framing pictures made a written Minority report Voted on motion S. V. C. the report be received and placed on file

New Business

Voted on motion S. V. C. that we tender a Written Vote of thanks to Capt. William B. Topham and Wife for the valuable assistance rendered at Concert given in the Opera house Sunday Evening April 14.

Bills

of William Reaves 2nd Bill Chas. Faber & Co was read and ~~placed on file~~ Voted on motion Capt. the Several bills be Paid on appeal Finance Com.

Voted on motion R. M. that the commander declare a recess of five minutes to give Comrades a chance to examine pictures recently framed

New Business

Voted on motion Comrade A. J. Smith that the motion whereby we voted to except the report of the committee on framing pictures be reconsidered

Frames

Voted that the motion whereby we voted to pay the bills of Chas. Stebbins for framing the Pictures be reconsidered

Voted on motion S. V. C. Ripley that the J. M. Fords be a committee to visit Chas. Stebbins and see what can be done about reframing the pictures the same to mounted on mats and the titles of the Pictures placed on the margin.

Comrades present 41

Cloud in favor

R. W. Sears adjt.

Head Quarters N. L. Hoelman Post one
Dept Mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford ~~April~~ May 6. 1891

Post found in due form by P. C. C. T. Burgess
Officers Present - S. V. C. J. Donaghy acting J. V. C.
Com. W. C. Owen acting Q. M. J. Smith Surg.
H. R. Griffis Chapl. H. B. James Adjt -
H. W. Shaw C. D. J. B. Bodman O. D. Geo. A. Taylor
S. M. C. H. Fuller Q. M. S. G. L. Dwyer

Records of last meeting read and approved
Q. M. report - Cash on hand this date $30.77

Gen. Orders.

No. 21 & 22 from national H. Q. and No 4 from
Dept Head Quarters was read and placed on file

Sick Report -		Visit Sick
Collins Perin	about Same	C. J. Smith & Wing
Joseph Lewis	" "	P. H. King & Benjamin
C. C. Gifford	" "	Lincoln & Clark
E. T. Wilson	better	L. L. Simmons & W. W. Atwood
James R. Keown	"	C. G. & Sampson
Seth Waterhouse	"	
James Matthews	"	Spooner & Q. M. S.
E. H. Viral	all Right -	
Ruth Knight	" "	
James Adams	reported Sick	C. D. & Chamberlain

S. E Dunnaville declared & Benifit - dating Sept. 28th

E. H. Vinal / Mtks Benefits

the application of Frank Page for membership was read and referd to the following committe for investigation f. V. C. A. A. Price & L. M. S.

Committe on framing Pictures reported they could have the pictures mounted with margin 12 inches on three sides 2 in. on the bottom with title name for the sum of $22.00 or 8 dollars additional to the original bill of $14 Voted on motion C. S. Taylor that the committe have the pictures framed as pr. report

L. M. read his report for the month of April referd to addl-committe

Voted on motion Com. A. J. Smith that the Memorial day Committ. of the present year have power to Extend an imitation to Judge Putnam to deliver the Memorial day address for the year 1892.

Voted on motion of A. J. Smith that the trustees for the anual Donation fund be requested to make a report of the funds in their hands from to night.

Bills

of Wm Hawes — Wm W. Crapo — N.B. Gas light Co was read Voted on motion J. V. C. the usual bills be paid on approval Finance Com.

Com. Rusel-3 J closed in form

R. W. Snow adjt.

Head Quarters W. L. Redman Post No
dept-mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford May 13/71

Post opened in due form by P. C. Lieut. J. Burgess

Officers Present-

S. V. C. Chas W. Ripley J. V. C. Joseph Donaghy
Q. M. John Smith Surg W. R. Tripp
Chap W. B. James Adjt. R. W. Howe
O. D. J. W. Solomon O. Guard A. J. Smith acting
S. M. C. W. Forbes Q. M. S. Geo. L. Durfee

Records of last meeting read and approved

Q. M. report Cash on hand this date $44 7.34

Communication from dept-H. Q was read and placed on file

Sick Report		Vet. Sick	
Collins Kein	Same	A. J. Smith & F. W. King	
Joseph Lewis	—	Lambert	A. C. Vince
C. C. Sifford	—	Marble	Buckley
E. T. Wilson	gaining	Wieden	O. Guard
J. R. Brown	not as well	Spooner	Knott
Seth Wilde	Same	Luscomb	Chamberlain
James Mathews	better	Q. M. S.	S. M.
J. D. Adams	—	Luther	Richards

C. Bartell declared off the benefit list from to night

J. D. Adams placed on the benefit list from to night

Applications

of James Emily for membership in this Post was read and referred to the following Committee for investigation Surg. H. R. Seipp and Comrades S. C. Chamberlain & P. Canavan

Application

of Walter Powers for membership in this Post was read and referred to the following Committee for investigation Comrades S. P. Lusent J. Marble & P. H. King

Reports of Committee

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for Memorial Day 1890 read the following report

Receipts from all Sources	$550.97
Expenditure	460 22
Cash Balance	$90 75
Paid off on Note and Int. St. Bank	180
Balance	$72.55

The Committee voted to turn over all money on their hands to the treasurer of the Committee for 1891

Geo. P. Gifford Chairman

C. T. Burgess Sec. & Treas.

Committee

voted on motion Com. Ellison the report be accepted and placed on file

S. V. Com. C. H. Ripley made a report of Progress of his visit to Detroit in the interest of the Nat. Encampment Committee in relation to procuring Quarters &c. for the Post

Bills of
William Mawes Wood & Shin and
E. Anthony & Sons
Was read Voted on motion Surg. M. R. Tripp
the Several Bills be paid on approval finance Committee

No Comrades Present - 58
Closed in form R. W. Snow adjt.

Headquarters W. L. Rodman Post One
Dept. Mass G. A. R. New Bedford May 14th 1901
Special Meeting Called to take action in regard
the funeral of our late Comrade Peter J. Peters
Meeting opened in due form by P. C.
Chas. F. Bruce Voted on motion of Wm
O. D. that the three first Officers of the Post
be a committee to make all necessary arrangements

Closed Without form
R. W. Snow adjt.

WITH GRAND ARMY RITES.

Funeral of Comrade Peter J. Peters This Afternoon.

The mortal remains of Peter J. Peters, the venerable G. A. R. man who died Monday afternoon, were consigned to their last resting place with due honors this afternoon.

The funeral took place from the hall of Post 1, G. A. R., where the impressive ritual of the order was read. Rev. E. Williams, chaplain of the Mariner's Home, where Comrade Peters at one time lived, conducted appropriate services.

Under escort of the post the remains were borne to Rural cemetery, where they were buried with military honors beside the wife of deceased in the soldiers' and sailors' lot. At the grave Chaplain James of Post 1 performed the ritual.

Hill's band escorted the post, which turned out about 65 men.

The bearers were: James P. Russell, J. V. Gallion, C. H. Harrington, 2d, William Oesting, Fred P. Clark and Benjamin F. Wood.

A volley was fired over the grave by a squad composed as follows: Edward Hart, J. W. Callahan, William G. Tripp, James E. Norton, James Simpson, John Lombard, Jacob Porkinson, Samuel Benjamin.

The color bearers were George W. Wallace and William W. Hatch.

Comrade S. B. Dearborn of Boston, connected with the association of Co. L, First Massachusetts heavy artillery, with which deceased was connected, arrived this noon with a fine lot of flowers.

The body of the old veteran was yesterday removed from the hospital to Grand Army Hall, where it lay in state until the funeral services. Comrade William Hawes was guard of honor yesterday during the day, and Comrades John Lombard and W. W. Hatch during last night. Comrade Knott was on guard today.

Headquarters Wm. A. Robinson Post one dept
Mass. G. A. R. New Bedford May 20 1891

Officers Present

S. V. C. J. Comrade Lt. J. V. C. S. C. Chamberlain Col.
Q. M. John Smith Surg. M. R. Tifft
Chap. C. B. Ames Adjt. R. H. Snow
Officer D. J. B. Bowman Officer G. L. A. Taylor
S. M. Chas. R. Fobes 2. M. S. Geo. A. Durfee

Records of last meeting read and approved

Q. M. Report

Cash on hand as per last report $465.14

Sick report		Visit Sick
Calvin Perin	absent Sam	Q. M. S.
Joseph Lewis	— — —	C. G. + Backus
O. C. Sifford	Better	Com. + A. J. Smith
E. C. Wilson	— — —	Chas. R. Fobes +
James R. Brown	— —	G. Durfee
Seth Watch	— —	Beals + Miller
James Mathews	— —	+ Jennings
J. D. Adams	at work	

Reported Sick

C. C. Simmons	Visit	O. D. J. S. C. Chamberlain
Geo. P. Sifford	—	Adjt. R. H. Snow

Comrade Peter J. Pelis reported died May 18th 91

on the Applications of
Frank Page the Committee all reported favorable and on a ballot he was Elected
on the application of
Wallie Powers the Committe all reported favorable and on a ballot he was
Was Rejected

Application of
Isaac Charles for membership in this Post was read and refered to the following Committe for investigation A. S. Taylor A. J. Smith & Allen

Report of Committee
the Audit Committe reported having Examined the Q. M. report for the month of April. 1891 and finding them Correct had approved the same

Treasurer report of the Citizens donation fund was read Voted on motion A. J. Smith the report be rec'd and placed on file

Voted on motion A. J. Smith
that we invite the W. R. C # 33 and Sons of Vet Camp 35 to attend Memorial Services next Sunday with us Sons to parade with us to the Church.

Capt Carpenter of the Sons Camp 35 Stated the camp were about to purchase 8 rifles and asked the Post what provision could be made for them to keep them at the Post room

and it was voted on motion of Q.M. that that the Commander & Q.M. be a committee to take the matter into Consideration

Bills of
the New Bedford Fund Pub. Co and William Howes
Was read voted on motion Q.M. the bills be paid
on approval finance Committee

Comrades Present — 63
Closed in form R. W. Snow
adjt.

Headquarts. Jr. Lt. Rodman Post-one dist Mass.
Dear Sir New Bedford May 24/1891
Special Meeting of Post to obligate Comrade
Alfred Allen Post-Opened in due form by
P. C. C. T. Burgess and Alfred Allen was
duly obligated and Signed the rules & regulations
Post-Closed in due form
R. W. Snow
adjt.

Sunday May 24. 1891
Post assembled at G.A.R. Hall Purchase St and
at Quarter to three Oclock proceded to the north
Christian Church where Memorial Services was
held and listened to the Sermon of Rev. W.S. —
— Brown 110 of Comrades of the Post present 120
The Post marched by the music of Professor Hills
band to and from the Church the Band

having Volunteered their Services for the occation

Headquarters W. L. Rodman Post One
dept Mass G. A. R.

New Bedford May 27th 1891

Post opened in due form by P. C. Chas T. Burgess
Officers S. V. Com. Chas W. Ripley
J. V. C. Joseph Donaghy Q. M. J. Smith - Surg.
H. R. Fish Chap. H. B. Jones adjt.
R. W. Olsen O. Day J. B. Bowman O. Guard
Geo. A. Taylor S. M. C. H. Fitts Q. M. S. Grade Duffy

Records of last meeting read and Approved

Q. M. Report

Cash on hand this date $ 4 83.58

General Orders no

23 and 24 - and Circulars No: 5 and 6 from Nat.
H. Quarters was read and placed on file

Sick Report	Visit Sick
Comrades Collins Pain - better	J. V. C. & P. C. Ring
Joseph Davis - " "	Kinsley & A. R. Mann
C. C. Gifford - " "	Coles & J. J. Smith
E. S. Wilson - " "	Commanders
James R. Brown - Soon to be about	
Seth Welch - better	Lambert & Canavan
James Mathews - " "	Chap. & O. Guard
C. C. Simmons - " "	O. Day "
Geo. P. Gifford - " "	Chamberlain & Atwood

Comrades

C. A Crooker
Barnett
and Dumas
} Reported sick

To Visit -
Lovesand & Marble
Wall & Jennings
Surg. & Asst. Surg.

Off Benefits

E. J. Wilson - C. F. Jennings - Seth Mabet. and H. J. Knight has declared off benefit list dating from May 13th

James Mathews and J. D. Adams declared of the benefit list dating may 20th

On Benefit -

C. C. Simmonds was declared on the benefit list dating from to night - may 27th

Applications

The committe on the application of James Conroly all reported favorably and on a ballot he was

Elected

Committe on the application of Isaac Charles all reported favorable and on a ballot he was

Elected

Muster

Frank Page - James Conoly - and Isaac Charles were duly mustered in this Post and signed the rules and regulations of the Post.

New Application of

William N. Scranton for membership in the Post was read and referred to the following Committe for investigation Patrick Canavan - Geo. D. Dufee and William Osting

Commander C. S. Burgess read a report of Progress of the Memorial Day Committee

Voted on motion Comrade A. J. Smith that we Extend a vote of thanks to the Trustees of the North Christian Church also to the Pastor Rev. W. J. Brown For his Services and the use of the Church by the G. A. R Posts of this City on Memorial Sunday

Voted on motion J. W. C that we extend a vote of thanks to the Rev. Mr Williams for his Services at the funeral of our late Comrade Felix J. Pelton.

Voted on motion A. J. Smith that we Extend a vote of thanks to Mill Band for their Services in Escorting the Post to and from Church Sunday 24 1891

Reports of Committee on Framing Pictures read a written report stating that having attended to his duty and the Pictures are ready to be hung upon the wall Voted on motion the A. D. that the report be Excepted

Voted on motion the D. M. that the meeting now adjourn

No. Comrades Present 65

Closed in form

R. W. Snow

Adjt.

Annual Observance of Memorial Day in This City.

An Entire Suspension of Business Marks the Event.

Longest and Finest Procession Ever Seen on Such an Occasion.

Composition of the Column and Full Details of the Day.

IGHT royally does a grateful nation each year gather the fragrant blossoms of Spring to bedeck the last resting places of those who in time of trial were found true to the principles of right, and truth, and justice, and who, when the war-cloud hung heavy over the land, sprung to arms in order that the flag of their country might be saved from dishonor and her institutions preserved. Tenderly, gratefully are their memories preserved and their deeds honored. With the advance of years, another generation of sturdy young manhood has arisen, but they show no disposition to let the custom of observing Memorial Day die out, and the prediction made long ago that the memories of our soldier dead would never die, seems likely to be realized. In fact, this year the procession in our own loyal city was longer, larger, more brilliant than at any previous time since the observance was inaugurated. Rain-charged clouds and a damp atmosphere had no sensible effect in dampening the spirits of those who took part in the ceremonies.

At a comparatively early hour crowds of people in holiday dress began to throng the principal thoroughfares and seek points of vantage from which to watch the formation and march of the column. Business was generally suspended, stores and factories being closed, and from flag-staff and tower the national colors floated at half-mast. Soon the sound of martial music, the beating of drums and the peal of trumpets was heard, and armed bodies were moving in martial array from armory and headquarters to the place of rendezvous. The sober blue of the national uniform was set off by the brilliant uniforms of the Emmet Guards, French Zouaves, Guard of Honor, and the different bands and drum corps.

The High School Cadets paraded as a battalion of four companies, and carried their new markers' flags of pink, lettered "H. S. B." in black.

Large detachments of police acted as flankers for the column, and did efficient service in keeping the streets clear, while mounted officers at the head turned aside all carriages and other obstructions.

The column moved promptly at 9 o'clock, on the stroke of the fire alarm, and was composed as follows:

First Division.

Marshal—Past Commander Andrew J. Smith.
Chief of Staff—Comrade Thomas J. Gifford.
Aids—Comrades W. H. Washburn, H. W. Kenyon, George T. Fisher, Major R. H. Morgan, Alex. O. Peirce, Walter G. Dennison, W. H. Carney, George H. Snow. S. E. Bentley, H. R. Tripp.
Hill's Band, 23 men, George Hill, leader.
Co. E, First Infantry, M. V. M., 45 men, Capt. A. E. Perry.
High School Battalion, 48 men, Maj. Benj. A. Twiss.
Charles F. Connor, Adjutant, Lester M. Potter, Sergeant-Major.
Co. A, 12 men, Capt. Harry G. Mosher.
Co. B, 12 men, Capt. C. F. James.
Co. C, 12 men, Capt. W. C. Phillips.
Co. D, 12 men, Capt. Theodore C. Gifford.

Second Division.

Chief of Division—Past Commander Samuel C. Hart.
Aids—P. C. James L. Wilber, P. C. Dr. J. W. Nickerson, Maj. T. W. Cook, Comrade Charles F. Shaw.
Co. E Fife, Drum & Bugle Corps, 10 pieces—Thomas H. Sanderson, leader.
Wm. Logan Rodman Post 1, G. A. R., 100 men—P. C. Charles T. Burgess, commanding.
R. G. Shaw Post 146, G. A. R., 12 men—P. C. George T. Fisher, commanding.
Continental Drum Corps, 14 pieces—George F. Curry, leader.
R. A. Peirce Post 190, G. A. R., 72 men—P. C. Thomas R. Rodman, commanding.
Cumberland Naval Veterans Association, 26 men—Commander C. L. Weeden, commanding.
J. A. Hawes Camp No. 35, Sons of Veterans, 60 men—Capt. George H. Carpenter, commanding.
J. H. Clifford Camp No. 130, Sons of Veterans, 15 men—Capt. George N. Gardiner, commanding.
Flower carriage No. 1—Comrades E. C. Adams, Post 190; John B. Manchester, Post 1; Monroe Holcomb, Post 190; W. S. Goon, Post 1; G. R. Reed, Post 190; George Lawton, Post 190.
Flower carriage No. 2—Comrades N. L. Battles, Post 190; Charles P. Kasmire, Post 1; Israel Smith, Post 190; Francis H. Vinal, Post 190; George S. Weaver, Post 1; George R. Wixon, Post 1; William G. Davis, Post 190.
Flower carriage No. 3—Comrades Charles F. Brayton, S. P. Luscomb, Thomas Huzzey, Andrew Westgate, John O'Hara, John Allsop, Albert F. Bradford, James Connelley, Joseph H. Leach, C. G. Shepherd, John Hurll and Francis H. Backus, all of Post 1.
Flower carriage No. 4—Comrade George R. Peck.

Third Division.

Chief of Division—Comrade Leopold Bartel.
Aids—Comrades Holder R. Tripp, Henry W. Kenyon, Capt. T. F. Brown, and Dr. L. Z. Normandin.
Musical Exchange Band—D. J. Sullivan, leader, 23 men.
Sheridan Guards, Lieut. M. J. Galvin commanding, 42 men.
French Zouaves—Capt. J. B. Patnaude commanding, 16 men.
Guards of Honor, Capt. Joseph Carriere, commanding, 41 men.
Emmet Guards, Capt. Robert Gillespie, commanding, 32 men.

Guests in Carriages.

Carriage No. 1.—Hon. Charles S. Ashley, Mayor of New Bedford; Joseph Dawson, President of the Common Council; Chief of Police D. A. Butler, Col. William E. Mason of Post 1.
Carriage No. 2.—Lieut. J. M. Simms, U. S. R. M.; Maj. William M. Broadhead, George Washington Post, New York; Col. A. S. Cushman, Post 1.
Carriage No. 3.—Rev. George Matthews, Dartmouth.
Carriage No. 4.—Rev. Messrs. John A. Mac Coll, James Mitchell, Ph. D., and E. S. Rousmaniere.
Carriage No. 5.—Comrades George H. Palmer and James Wilson, Cumberland Naval Veterans.
Carriage No. 6.—Comrade Michael Weik, Post 1; Wilhelm Weik, Comrade A. R. Morse, Cumberland Naval Veterans.
Carriage No. 7.—Comrades Joseph W. Robertson and Edward T. Wilson, Post 1; Col. John W. Footman, Union Veteran Legion.
Carriage No. 8.—Comrade Robert Moncrief, Post 1.
Carriage No. 9.—Maj. James F. Chipman and Comrades E. T. Chapman and R. M. Taber.

The line formed on Pleasant street, right resting on Elm, and promptly at the hour the column broke from the right and marching to the left proceeded over the following route to Rural Cemetery: William, Sixth, County, Rockland and Dartmouth streets. At this place of burial the second division, which was composed of comrades, sons of veterans and naval veterans, deployed, when detachments in charge of decorating the graves proceeded to their duties. At a signal given by Chief Marshal Andrew J. Smith graves were decorated simultaneously. Comrades stood at the graves with a basket of flowers in their right hand and at the sound of the bugle in their respective stations placed the decorations near the centre of the graves, kneeling on the right knee in placing the baskets on the graves. Comrade James N. Parker read the roll of honor and Rev. E. S. Rousmaniere offered prayer.

Leaving the cemetery by the north entrance, the procession moved through Rural, Brigham, Hawthorn, Cottage, Court and County streets. At the Z. Hillman fire station the line halted and a fresh supply of flowers was placed in the flower wagons. During the halt the members of Engine Co. No. 5, as has been their annual custom since the inauguration of Memorial Day, remembered the participants in the day's observance with cool lemonade. The march was then continued north on County street and through Smith, Cottage and Parker streets to Oak Grove Cemetery. Here the same exercises as took place in Rural Cemetery were carried out. Rev. James Mitchell offered prayer and Comrade John Smith read the roll of honor.

From here the march was taken up through Parker, County and Pope streets to the Common, where the usual ceremonies at the Soldiers' and Sailors' monument took place. Prayer was offered by Rev. Albert Cameron.

Leaving the Common the procession proceeded to City Hall for dismissal. Passing in front of the Library Building on Pleasant street the line was reviewed by Mayor Ashley.

The grave of George Leonard in Friends' Cemetery, not in the list of dead, was decorated this morning by comrades.

The Emmet Guards made a fine appearance in their showy uniforms.

The Guard of Honor marched in good form, notwithstanding the difficult drill through which they were put last evening.

The third division in the parade to-day was one of the features of the day. The first and third division were made up exclusively of military organizations. The remark was quite general that the military feature was much better than usual.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock John A. Hawes Camp, Sons of Veterans, Capt. Carpenter commanding, took horse cars for Fairhaven, and proceeding to Riverside Cemetery assisted Fairhaven comrades in decorating graves. Rev. N. C. Alger was the officiating clergyman. The graves at Naskatucket and Woodside were decorated early this morning by Comrade John T. Adams.

The streets in the central part of the city present a Sunday-like appearance.

Horse-car travel and on the electric cars is unusually large.

The procession did not reach the Common until 1 o'clock.

The city flag used last Fall on the occasion of the visit of the First Regiment was displayed in front of the Library building.

The Sylvia H. Delano Circle, Ladies of the Grand Army, decorated the north side of the Soldiers' and Sailors' monument with a very handsome floral tribute. It was in the form of a frigate resting on moss, and was much admired.

Silas Williams Kempton also contributed floral tributes which were used in decorating the monument.

Flags are generally displayed throughout the city.

Sloop yacht Vixen lying in the harbor is elaborately trimmed with flags. Flags are also displayed at half-mast on shipping in general.

No date
[illegible] June 3, 1891

Head Quarters Wm. L. Rodman Post one Dept. Mass.
G.A.R. Post opened in due form by P. C. Asst. J. Burgess

Officers Present

S. V. C. J. V. C. J. Donaghy acting J. V. C. P. Brennan acting
Surg. H. R. Bishop D. M. Folsom Smith Chap. D. B. James
Q. M. R. W. Snow O. D. [illegible] O. G. Smith acting C. G.
C. C. Chamberlain acting S. M. C. H. Fowler D. M. G.
E. L. Durfee

Records of last meeting read and approved
D. M. Report - Cash on hand this date $19.48

Sick Report		Visit Sick
Collins Frain	feeling better	Officer Guard
Joseph Lewis	about same	Bros. Stanton
C. C. Gifford	better	Com. & J. J. Smith
E. J. Wilson	" "	J. V. C.
Seth Waters	about same	
James Mathews	not as well	Regs. & Chamberlain
C. C. Simmons	better	Com. & S. V. C.
Geo. F. Gifford	"	Com. & S. V. C.
C. A. Crooker	" "	Louisemb & Benjamin
Bennett		Chap. & D. M. G.
Peter Dana	all right	

Com. Darnell placed on the Sick list from last night - Com. Geo. F. Gifford placed on Sick list dating May 27th

The investigating Committee made a Majority report on the application of William H. Stanton

Voted on motion of Com. A. J. Smith the report be
Excepted and the Candidate balloted for and on
a ballot he was Elected

D. M and his monthly
report for the month of may. referred to the Auditing
Committee

Voted on motion of A. J. Smith that the
Post turn out in full uniform on the night of
the ball at the Rink for escort duty

a donation of one dollar another of
fifty cts was presented to the Post Voted on motion
of D. M. the same be placed in the relief fund

The Surgeon made a motion that
a court martial be ordered for the trial of Comrade
Levin S. Morse for being drunk and intoxicated on
memorial day May 30. 1881 that while on parade to
decorate the graves of deceased Comrades, having
on the uniform of the G. A. R. the said Levin S. Morse
was staggering and reeling drunk Contrary
to the By laws of this Post and against the good
of the Order Surg. H. R. Griffs

The motion was carried

Voted on motion Com. A. J. Smith that the S. M. & 2 M.S.
be provided with keys to this Hall anteroom &c.

Voted on motion of Com. Chamberlain the
D. M. provide this key at the expense of the Post

A communication
from the President of the W. R. C. № 53 asking for the
use of this hall on the day of June the 11th

Motion to Court Martial

Voted on motion of the Sergt. Hour request was granted.

For the Good of the Order
Comrade Henry of Post 196 made some remarks also Comrade Bunker and others

New Business
Bills of J. E. Knott
Mercury Pub. Co. Eng. H. R. Tripp
Journal Pub. Co. Hand Quarter Asst Mass
Chas. Tabor & Co. N.B. Gas Light Co.
Wm Hearn
Was read Voted on motion J. P. C. the several bills be paid on approval of finance Committee

Comrades Present 39

Adjourned from R. W. Session

Headquarters
N. L. Redmon Post one Dept. Mass. Com.
Visit Received June 10th 11
Post opened in due form by
Post C. Chas. T. Burgess
Officers Present
D. V. C. L. Donaghy acted for D. C. & C. Commander
acted D. M. J. Smith Eng. H. R. Tripp Chaplain
H. B. Jones A. A. A. N. 2 Mass. Dept. N.B.
C. A. Q. M. Smith acted D. M. Chas. Wentworth
M. D. Geo. E. Dunn
Records of last meeting read and approved

2. M. Report Cash on hand this date $5.25.36

Sick report — Visit Sick

Willis Penn about Same — Comrade Lunsford
Joseph Lewis — — — — Perry & King
C. C. Gifford — — — —
E. J. Wilson better
Seth Walch about Same
James Mathews — — — — Com. Parkinson
C. C. Simmonds All right
Wm. F. Gifford Not seen Chap. C. Day
C. A. Crocker better J. H. C.
Barnett improving Wesley & Hannie

Com. C. A. Crocker placed on benefit list from to night

Visit
Francis Little Reported Sick Lunsford & Lewis.
James Wilson — — — Gallion

Transfer

William F. Swanton duly elected and mustered as a comrade of this Post — who signed the rules & regulations

Reports of Committees

The Committee to make arrangement for the funeral of our late Comrade Peleg J. Peters and a majority report — Voted on motion of Comrade Wm. Smith — the report be accepted

Permanent Records

A set of Books of Reference has been presented to the Post by Citizen of West Bedford

2 votes rejected of Francis Mosher by reason of E. Francis not being present to vote — the 2nd vote refused to be taken as he was not present

Voted be accepted the present and a Committee of three be appointed by the Commander to draw up a Set of resolutions Thanking the Citizens for their Generous Donation. Said Committee to report at the next meeting. Commander appointed Comrade Cashman Lt. M. & Adjt.

A Communication from Post 1 Co Excepting our invitation, kindly, to attend the Military Civic Ball & Concert at the Rink in Westfield, this eve, Voted the Communication be accepted

Voted on motion Comrade Lt. Cashman that the commander be requested to extend to Mrs. Hayes the Sympathy and Condolence of this post in her affliction for the loss of her son

Voted on motion Q. M. Comrade that a vote of thanks be sent to U.S. Bisbee for a donation of ice cream to this Post

Bills

Wm. Hayes Wm. Nutt & Lumber
James & Nutt for Stairs & Guard of Hayes
Wm. Hayes as per bill Hill & Bradford Band
Rent

Voted on motion of Asa Smith the Bills be paid on Hayes

Committee

Comrades present - 63

Closed in form R. H. Dana Jr. Capt.

Headquarters William Logan Rodman
Post - One dept Mass. G. A. R.
New Bedford April 1891

Post opened in usual form by Com. Chas A. Burgess
Officers Present -
A. J. C. G. Cowing as S. V. C. Chamberlain
and A. M. Gifford as Vice, H. H. Crapo as Chap.
H. B. Jones as Q. M. Dana as A. D. J. B. Bowman
as A. D. C. Swasey as O. D. Chas H. Rodman
A. M. Sarg. G. L. Durfee
Record of last meeting read and approved

A. M. Post-Master handed this date 4 letters
and 1 also 2 papers and circular Letters from
dept Headquarters & Circular letter from dept-mustering officer

Sick Report		Visit with
Collins Tessin	about Same	Comrade Kinsley
Joseph Lewis	" "	" "
C. C. Gifford	better	
E. C. Nelson	" "	
James Matthews	" "	
Geo. P. Gifford	not so well	Com. & Comrades
C. A. Brooks	better	Com. & Wife

Sick — to Visit —

Bennett Allen
Hammerquitt . . Chap. 1. O.
Jones Wilson . . . 2 W.S. 1 D.
Veith Watch . . .

on the application of Comrade W. Hudson
Com. for a Charter for a Post in this place.
Motion on motion of Comrade W. C. Chairman the
application be recommitted to the investigating
Committee

The Commander then rose by a vote
of the Post, requested to Visit a Sick Comrade
Expressing the Sympathy of the Post to him in his
affliction. read the following.

Head Quarters William Logan Veteran
Post-one dept-Mass. G.A.R.

Boston

At a regular
meeting of this Post the Comrades first-Thought
of your recent affliction, and it was instructed
by a unanimous Vote to extend to you the heart
Sympathy of Every Comrade. It is but a small
Token, these Emblishes Through your
generosity with the ballot Seems which so vividly
recall our Experiences in the defence of our Country
and we Shall ever Cherish the most kindly Sentiments
for you and in the hour of your Loneliness. Your Spirits
we trust, may be Cheerfull to God and afford
you the blessing Assurance that Your

Comrades and Brothers here, I can express more
[illegible] you may [illegible] I could [illegible] you
you in the [illegible] and sisters.

Believe me Madam Most—
Respectfully Your
Obedient Servant—
O. T. Burgess

[illegible] Comrade [illegible] the
[illegible] be accepted and [illegible] and also
a copy | Spread upon the records
[illegible]
Examined the [illegible] for the months of [illegible]
and finding them correct [illegible]

R. W. Snow
S. C. Chamberlain
P. Canavan
adjt-Com.

appointed to draft Resolutions
[illegible] Books of Permanent Records
at this meeting [illegible] the following

[illegible] Encampment of [illegible] Post no one Dept. of Mass of G. A. R. held
at their Quarters in [illegible] Boston
the 17th day of June 1891 on motion
of Comrade O. T. Burgess it was
unanimously voted

O. T. Burgess Chairman Committee

Presented to this Post

THE GIFT TO POST 1, G. A. R.

A Handsome Acknowledgment of the Fine Memorial Volume.

The committee appointed by William Logan Rodman Post 1, G. A. R., at its last meeting to make a report on the acceptance of the handsome memorial volume, made its report at the post meeting last evening as follows:

William Logan Rodman Post No. 1, Department of Massachusetts of the Grand Army of the Republic, accepts the volume designed to serve as a record of the individual history of its members, which has been presented by you, and hereby expresses its appreciation of such a valuable present and its gratitude to the donors.

This tasteful gift is equally opportune and significant. Our order has reached its zenith in members and influence. For 25 years it has exemplified in your own community its beneficent principles and has so commended itself to all that your testimonial might be considered as representative and popular in its character. Even when the order shall have become extinct those principles upon which the order is founded will survive in the memory of coming generations. When as of the archives of this city of our homes, this volume, in accordance with your purpose, shall contain the varied personal experiences of each comrade and the last camp fire and encampment shall have been held, the last fraternal greeting extended and the final volley fired over the grave of the last survivor, posterity will fully realize its obligation to you also and equally commend your patriotism and your foresight in the joint legacy which you and the citizen soldiery of the Grand Army shall have left.

To Hon. W. W. Crapo, Francis Hathaway, Charles Warren Clifford, Sylvia Hathaway Delano, Horatio Hathaway, Joseph Arthur Beauvais, Edward Smith Taber, Mrs. Pardon Tillinghast.

~~The following resolution was passed:~~

It is unanimously resolved that the foregoing acceptance and acknowledgment, with a copy of this resolution duly attested by the commander and adjutant, be engrossed and forwarded to the above-named donors respectively, and that a copy thereof be extended in full upon the records of the post.

G. A. R. A Communication from the Adjt. of the Baxter Co Association, stating that the Association will meet at the Hall of William A. Strahan Post no 145 at two hours, on Wednesday July 5th 1871 at 10.30 O'Clock and requesting this Post to send ten delegates

Sec. S. Lewis Adjt.

Voted on motion of Comrade C. D. Cushman that the Commander and Quarter Master take into consideration the matter belonging to this Post mentioned so that may be presented

Good of the Order

Remarks for the good of the order by Comrade C. D. Cushman Comrade Newton & Blood Comrade

Belonging to Post from the Dept of Vermont and others

New Business

Bills of

E. Anthony & Sons G. Smith J. J. Sutton

Wm. Hales were read

Voted on motion J. J. C. Donaghy

the usual bills be paid on approval of the

finance Com.

No Comrades present—at

Closed in form

R. W. Sears

Adjt

Head Quarters William Logan Rodman Post-
one dept- Mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford June 24th 1

Post-opened in due form by P. C. Col. J. Burgess
Officers present

S. V. C. C. H. Ripley J. V. C. J. Donaghy
Q. M. John Smith Surg. H. R. Tripp Chap.
A. B. Jones adj't R. M. [illegible] O. D. C. B. Sherman
O. G. C. Smith sgt. M. Chas. A. Stark
C. V. S. Geo. L. Peirce

Rec. of Last meeting
was read and Approved
Q. M. Report- Cash on hand this date $21.45

Gen. Orders 25 & 26 from National H. Q.
and No 6 & 7 from dept H. Q. were read and
placed on file

Sick Report	To visit Sick
Collins Peirce	Wood Sherman
Joseph Lewis	C. D. Jr. V. C.
C. A. Gifford	
Geo. Matthews	
Geo. F. Gifford	letter Chamberlain Fencing
C. A. Carter	
Francis Little	all right
James Wilson	better
Wm. Nelson	
D. A. Potter	reported Gen. & Comrades
Sylvanus Gifford	Sick

Comrades

Pinafore Lead

Comrade E. T. Wilson introduced the 1st Lieut Wm
Comr Wilson – E. A. Crocker – William Barnett
Thomas Mathews – Seth Caton – of the 24
Thomas Little & Mate benefit

Ballot

The Committee on the application of
Albert C. Gardner all reported favorably
and on a ballot he was Elected

The findings and record of the Court Martial
of Edwin C. Moore was presented to the Post by
Geo. C. Palmer Judge Advocate of said Court
The finding of the Court was that Edwin C. Moore
was Guilty of the Charges and Specifications
preferred and the Sentence of the Court was
that Edwin C. Moore be dishonorably discharged
from the Grand Army of the Republic

And on motion of Com. A. G. Smith that the
action of the Court Martial be approved and
by a rising Vote the motion was Carried

Comrade James Mathews donated
To the relief fund ~~the~~ the Sum of $18 it being the amount
of benefits due him in his sickness

Voted on motion of
Com. Sung. be extended to Com. Mathews a
written Vote of Thanks

Voted on motion of Com. A. C. Peirce the Post
meeting now adjourn

Bills

Journal Pub. Co City of Smithfield Water rate
Wm. Hayes funeral Geo. A. Palmer

Was next Voted on motion Com. Sullivan
the usual bills be paid on approval of finance
Committe

Comrades Present 45

Voted in favor

R. W. Sweet adjt

Head Quarters Wm. Logan Redman
Post-Com Asst-Mass. G. A. R.
Smithfield July 1st 1891

Post opened in
due form by Post Com. Ord. J. Burges

Officers Present-

S. V. C. J. R. C acting S. V. C. J. C. Chamberlain as
Q. M. John Smith Surg. H. R. Griffis Chap. H. B. Jones
acting J. R. W. Thos. C. J. & B. Brayman O. G. Geo. A. Taylor
S. M. O. N. Hoyt 2 M. S. Geo. L. Dunfee

Records of Last meeting read and approved

Q. M. Report- cash on hand this date $435.20

Sick Report- Visit Sick

Collins Perin dead Name
Joseph Lewis — —
C. A. Carter Better
D. A. Butler at business

H Jennings

Commades (

Officers Present
Comp. & Visitors
Lieut. & L.H.C.

Officers Absent
Capt. H. Allen excused Sick
Lieut. Hunter

Meeting called to order by President & Prayer by Chaplain
Minutes of last meeting read & approved

Report of Committee

L. H. C. read his report for the Months ending June 30th 1861 referred to auditing Committee

Secretary report of the amount relief Orders drawn during June 30th 1861 was read and ordered on file

The Secretary of the relief Com. of Board of Town having moved out of the City the Com. declared his office vacant and gave notice to elect one at the next meeting

Voted on motion of Co. Fire Smith that we have no meeting in the months July and Aug. except the last meeting of each month

Voted on motion Col. F. V. C. Donaghey & Com. of three be appointed to decorate the Front of the Hall on the Fourth of July 1861 the Chair appointed F. C. Taylor F. V. Donaghey & L. D. Hunter

Voted on motion by Smith the Parade & Command Master be added to the Com.

H. 2. Mass. Regt. Boston June 28th 1861 Resolutions findings and sentence of the Court Martial in the case of Commander Lavin & Master of Pilot one & A. R. are approved Neither Co. Smith Capt. Commd.

Meeting July 4th

H. 2. Mass. Regt. Boston June 28th 1861 Resolutions findings and sentence of the Court Martial in the case of Commander Lavin & Master of Pilot one & A. R. are approved Neither Co. Smith Capt. Commd.

Special Dept. Pol. appointed assistant adjt. General

Delegates appointed to United Co. Convention to be held at Allerton mass July 8th 1891 in the hall of Wm A. Short. Post no 123

Delegates

A. J. Smith Peter F. Sampson C. D. Sampson
Geo. A. Snyder Silas Wilcox P. C. King
Edward F. Weeks William A. Swanton

Rec'd of

William Evans and Dept. Mass. your name stated on motion George Ide will be placed on Special finance Committee.

No comrades present 47

Attest Wm Evans W. M. Evans adjt.

Wednesday eve Wm Logan Post one dept. mass. G. A. R

New Bedford July 5th 1891

Special Meeting Called to make arrangements for the funeral of our late Comrade Chas H. Arnit. Post opened in due form by P. C. Chas F. Burgess Voted on motion of the adjt. that Com. Burgess P. V. C. Sampson and Chas. Jones act as a Committee to make all necessary arrangements for the funeral. Voted Without Evans W. M. Evans adjt.

Special meeting

Headquarters Wm Logan Rodman one dept-mas
G. A. R.

New Bedford July 6th 1891

agreeable to the call of the Commander the Encampment assembled at the Post room at one o'clock and under the command of J. V. C. Donaghy, marched to the late residence of our deceased Comrade Charles W. Arnold where the funeral services were held after which the remains were taken charge of by the Post to Rockdale Mass cemetary where the burial Service was performed according to the ritual after which the Post returned to the Post room and the Encampment.

Encampment & Orange Band furnished music for the occasion

R. W. Shaw adjt.

Headquarters William Logan Rodman
Post-One dept-Mass. G. A. R.
New Bedford July 8th 1891

Post Commander Douglass, B. J. C. Charles A. Briggs
Senior Vice

J. V. C. J. [illegible] adj. [illegible] Q. M. [illegible]
[illegible] Chaplain [illegible] O. D. [illegible]
O. G. [illegible] Sergt. [illegible] Corp.
[illegible] Trustees [illegible] Sergt. [illegible]
Firemen [illegible] Sergt. [illegible]
Q. M. S. Geo. L. Davis

Records of last meeting
read and approved

Q. M. Sergt

Order on hand this 1st [illegible]

Comrade Dukes & Ind Reserves letter from Dept U.S.
was read and placed on file

Sick Report
Wilbur Stein — absent sick
Joseph Davis — " "
Geo. P. Gifford — better
S. A. Gifford — At business
C. C. Gifford — Comfortable — Confined to house

Comrade Charles H. Arnold reported Sick since
our last meeting

Application of Edward W. Whitaker for membership
in this Post was read and referred to the following
Committee for investigation Comrades
A. C. Paine Geo Rogers & C. C. Rhinevault

Communication of the Centerville Plain View Association
was read by P. C. Rogers. That the action of
Comrade D. J. Smith the Encl be received and
Placed on file

That the action of Comrade Dukes —
that the action of the Com. on Burial being received
& charges paid for the funeral of our late Comrade
Chas H. Reed be approved

That we proceed to Elect 1 member of the relief Com.
for Ward four. Comrades Gardner Buckley
James D. Russell & Mr. C. H. Hoyt were nominated
Ballot

[illegible] the 18th Inst. [illegible] the minutes
of [illegible] were read. The [illegible] being
performed Post [illegible] was declared Elected [illegible] for [illegible]

Officer Guard Taken

Made a report as a Delegate from the District Co.
Convention

Several Cards Hand Shook &
Remarks [illegible] by Comrade Hungerford
Post [illegible] Dartmouth [illegible] Comrade Cushman
and others

New Business

Bills [illegible] Mass. Co. [illegible] W. Taber
Mass. Pub. Co. [illegible] Mass. S. M. E. Building Assn
Geo. C. Whipple [illegible] E. Pratt [illegible]
Voted on motion Sugs. Mr General
[illegible] appointed Finance Committee.

No. Comrades 53

Closed in form

[illegible]

Headquarters William Logan Rodman
Post-One dept. Mass. G.A.R.
New Bedford July 15th 1891

Post opened in due form by P.C. C.J. Briggs
Officers present S.V.C. J. Donaghy acting J.V.C.
S.H.C. Chamberlain acting Q.M. John Smith Surg.
H.R. Leigh Chap. H.B. James

Adjt. R. W. Snow O. D. J. B. Bowman O. G. Geo. A. Taylor 1st M. Chas. H. Hobbs 2d M. & Geo. L. Lufkin

Records of last meeting read and approved
D. M. Report Cash on hand this date
$ 424.95

Nick Hind	Nick-Sick
Collin Ryan — Home	C. A. Bowman C. A. Taylor
Joseph Lewis — "	Jennings & Backus
C. C. Clifford	Commander & L. V. C.
Com. J. P. Dean reported Sick	Chip & Settler

The Committee on the application of Charles C. Caswell all reported favorably, and on a ballot he was Elected

Report of Committee

The auditing Committee appointed having Examined the D. M. report for the Quarter Ending June 30th finding them correct and approved the same

Majority report
R. W. Snow
S. C. Chamberlain

Voted on motion of Comrade A. J. Smith the Majority report be Excepted and placed on file

The Committee on renewing hall for Chip reported in favor of a hall in the fourth Story of a new Building to be built by the Fire Cents Savings Bank Voted on motion of Comrade L. N. Collins the

Application

Hall Committee report

the report be received and placed on file

Delinquent Comrades

Delinquent Comrades

Comrade C. S. Cushman stated he had called several of the Comrades in arrears for dues (in paying to continue to take the bills and do them) and had met with good success so far and it was voted on motion of Comrade J. V. Gallein that Comrade C. S. Cushman be authorized as a committee to collect and receipt the bills that he has in his possession of delinquent Comrades.

Voted on motion of Comrade A. J. Smith that the Comrades who intend to go to the Mt. Lin. at Detroit be asked to raise $32 Comrades responded and counted by the A. D. C. B. Bowman

Hall committee

Voted on motion of Comrade S. C. Chamberlain that the present Committee on meeting hall for Encampment have full power to procure a hall in the new building of the Farmers Savings bank or other suitable place

Remarks for the good of the order

Comrade Penfield of Post 2 Dexter and Comrade Longley of Post 176 New Hartford made some remarks

Mrs. Bowman

Hall committee

Voted on motion of Comrade G. L. Wilbur to hear reports of the minutes

Called to Order

Voted on motion of A. G. Geo. A. Taylor that

2. M. that C. Stebs be added to the Committee on procuring Wall.

No. Comrades present 72

Closed in form R. W. Snow adjt.

Headquarters William Logan Rodman Post-one
Dept. Mass. G. A. R.
New Bedford Mass. July 22nd 11

Post opened in due form by P. C. Chas. S. Bunger
Officers Present
S. V. C. J. V. C. Joseph Donaghy J. V. C. S. C. —
Chamberlain P. D. M. John Smith Surg.
Holden D. Tripp Chap. Henry F. Gyme
Adjt. R. W. Snow O. D. J. D. Boltman O. G.
Sgt. A. Sayer S. M. Chas. M. Stebs

Records of last meeting read and approved
D. M. Report — Cash on hand this date
$501,35

Sick Report		Visit the Sick
Collins Perrin —	better	O. G.
Joseph Lewis	about Same	Eastman & Nazaire
C. C. Sisson	" "	O. D. & Delano
G. F. Sias		
Hanson		Dumas & Lumbard

Geo. F. Gifford declared off the benefit-
List from 10 night-

The Case of Comrade Hampson
asking aid from this Post was on motion of
Geo. F. Gifford referred to Relief Committee

on motion of Andrew J. Smith
the Hall Committee hire one Months further
time. Amended by Comrade Gallion that the
Committe hire the hall in the fourth Story of the
new five cent Savings bank if the Hall can
be fitted to Said the Said Committe the motion
as Amended Was Carried

Reports of Committees

The Committe appointed to make arrangements
for the funeral of our late comrade Lewis Council
beg to submit the following Bills

Funeral Exp. Bond $2.00
William Fair Hearse 5.00
" " Horses 3.00
L. A. Rouyer
J. Donaghy
H. B. James } Com.

Was on motion of Bro Sergeant H. R. Smith
the report was accepted

Communication from Henry Clay Wade Post 200
G. A. R. College Pt. Queens Co. was read with an
invitation to attend the dedication of the Soldiers
Memorial to be erected in honor of the G. A. R.

Funeral Lewis B. Council

Henry Clay Wade Post Circular invitation

at that place Aug. 12th 1891 at 2 o'clock P. M.
Letter from Dept. Commander Gen. J. Gifford, declining
the invitation, and for the Officers did not attend.

Thanks for the good will of the Comrades
of Dartmouth after a Picnic Roll Call Installation &
Picnic Adjourned

Returned to the ~~for~~ next Business
there being no further business
Post-was closed in due form
Comrades Present 47 R. M. Shaw adjt.

Head Quarters Wm. L. Rodman Post No
Dept. Mass. G. A. R.
New Bedford July 29th 1891

Post opened in due form By P. C. Chas. N. Burgess
Officers Present
S. V. C. E. Remsley J. V. C. S. E. Chamberlain
L. M. P. Smith Surg. H. R. Sisson Chap. M. B. Gamm
adjt. R. M. Shaw O. D. Geo. A. Taylor Q. G. E. P. Gifford acting
S. M. Chas H. Hoeb L. M. S. M. C. Cross. acting
Records of Last meeting was read & approved

L. M. Report-Cash on hand this date
$521.26

Sick Report — Visit Sick

Comrade Collins Run-Better — Comrade Gallion
Joseph Lewis - not as well
O. C. Gifford — better
J. P. Sikes —
Wm. Hampson
Reported Sick

Gen. Orders No 29-30-31 was read and Placed on file
Leylander Colan — Gen. P. Gifford & Cameron
Samuel Benjamin — Sampson & Russell
O. D. Lucha B Bowman — Marble & E. Knott
Jacob Brown

Ethelbert C. Caswell was duly mustered a Comrade of this Post.

Relief Committee to whom the case of Comrade Hampsen as king for aid, was referred reported the relief Committee had refered his case to the Com. of Ward 6 with Power to act —

Voted on motion Com. Gen S. Cushman the report be accepted and the recommendation adopted.

Bills the following bills were read
Wm Maus 3 Bills Wm Price - H.D. Dept Mess.
Musical Exchange Record

Voted on motion O. D. Geo. A. Taylor that the Second bill be Paid on approval of the finance Com.

S. V. C. Chas. W. Kibby tendered is resignation as S. V. C of this Post. Voted on motion of Comrade G. P. Gifford his resignation was accepted

Comrade Geo. P. Gifford gave the following notice that two weeks from to night I shall make the following motion that the Quarter Master transfer the Sum of $300 from the post fund to the Detroit & Cantonville

Comrade Gallien made a motion that the expense of conveying Comrade Colson to the Soldiers home be paid from the Post fund amended by Comrade A. S. Cushman that the expense be paid from the relief fund the motion as ammended was carried

Commander appointed on the Committee to make arrangements to attend the dedication of the Soldiers monument at Battle City aug. 13th 1891 J. V. C. Joseph Donaghy Comrades A. S. Cushman and ~~G. P. Gifford~~ Surg. H. R. Tuttle.

The Comrades present by

Closed in form R. Nelson adjt.

Headquarters Wm L. Rodman Post 4 one
Started Aug 14th 1891 for Detroit to attend the
National Encampment at Detroit as Escort
to the Department Commander A. Smith
Employed Will New Bedford Band to go
with us.

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman
Post One dept. Mass. G. A. R.
New Bedford Aug 12th 1891
Regular meeting Post opened in due form
by P. C. Chas. F. Burgess
Officers Present S. V. C. J. Donaghy
J. V. C. S. C. Chamberlain Q. M. John Smith
Surg. H. R. Irish Chas. H. B. Jones
Adjt. R. W. Snow O. D. J. B. Bowman O. G.
S. P. Lescault S. M. C. H. Forbs Q. M. S. Sw. L. Dufau
Records of Last meeting read and
Approved

Q. M. Report
Cash on hand this date $ 60,33

Sick Report		Visit Sick
Collins Peirce	better	
Joseph Lewis	more comfortable	Bliss & Lumbard
C. L. Gifford	about same	Com. & J. P.
L. Colton	improving	S. P. Gifford & J. Wilcox
S. Benjamin		
Jacob Brown		
R. Gordon	Resolves Sick	

Sick

Wm. Booth — Reported Sick — Morse & Cross.
C. W. Cleveland — S. M.
C. M. Jennings — Chamberlain & Dwyer
C. M. Nye — Parlow

Committee to make arrangements & go to Cottage City Aug 13-1880 to take part in the dedication of the Soldiers Memorial Reported progress

on motion of P.V.C. Donaghy that Sheriff
be officiated from V. Post present to pay
the expenses of a band to attend city Aug 13th
Amended By Comrade Jno. F. Sheffield to pay the
Sheriff ten dollars. The motion Carried as amended

Voted on motion of Com. P. Lovering that a
Vote of thanks be Extended to James
Geo. Dr. Entertained by James H. Hay of Detroit
for the hours Spended in this city on Sunday

Bill

Mercury Pub. Co. William Graves
New Bedford Gas. Light Co. Wm. H. Crapo
E. Anthony & Sons William Graves

George E. Wright was read
Voted on motion of Mrs. E. R. Wright the Secretary
bill be paid out of general funds.

No Comrades Present 56
Elected in former P.V. Service age.

Head Quarters Wm Logan Rodman Post
One dept: Mass. G. A. R.

New Bedford Aug. 19th 91

Regular Meeting. Post Opened in due form
By P.V.C.J. Donaghy Officers Present S.V.C
P.C. Smith acting J.V.C. S.C. Chamberlain acting
Q.M. J. Smith Surg. H.R. Tripp Chap H.B. James
acting R.M. Snow O.D. J.B. Bowman O.G. Geo. A. Taylor

S. M. C. M. Forbs – D. M. S. Geo. L. Durfee
Records of Last meeting was read and Approved

D. M. Report-

Cash on hand this date $44.43

Sick Report- Visit- Sick

Collins Penn – about same –
Joseph Lewis – improving –
C. C. Sifford – better –
Lysander Colson – not as well –
C. W. Cleveland – " " " –
C. M. Jennings – Better –
C. H. Nye – no report – all right-
Jacob Brown – very Sick –

Chas. T. Burgess reported Sick

Lysander Colson placed on the benefit- list dating from Aug. fifth

C. W. Cleveland placed on the benefit- list- dating from Aug. 12th

Auditing Committee reported having Examined the D. M. report for the month of July finding them correct- had approved the Same

R. W. Snow
S. C. Chamberlain } Audit- Com.

Motion & Comrade George P. Sifford to transfer $30 from the Post fund to the Detroit Com. was taken from the table and on motion of Comrade W. G. Smith it was laid to lay on the table until the report of the Detroit Committee

Voted on motion of Com. L. M. that the money in the bank called the Relief Fund be transfered to the relief fund

L. M. tendered his resignation as L. M. of this Post to take effect Sept 30th end of the Quarter Voted on motion the same be laid on the table one week

Voted on motion of Com. W. G. Smith the nominating list for D. V. C. be opened Joseph Donaghy was nominated the list was closed L. M. John Smith Comrade W. G. Smith & V. C. J. Donaghy Stated that they were not Candidates for that office Voted on motion of Comrade D. P. Stafford that the L. M. deposit the ballot bearing the name of R. W. Brown for D. V. C. of this Post and he was declared Elected. Remarks from Several Visiting Comrades was listened to with interest

Bills James E. Kidd

Wm Howes was read Voted on motion C. G. Taylor the bills be paid on usual vouchers Com.

No Comrade Stood 4 23

Voted in favor R. W. Brown elected

Resignation Wm Logan Post man Post one elect Mass. D. A. R. Special meeting held to take action in regard to the funeral of our late Com. Geo. Brown Voted meeting opened in due form Rep. C. C. J. Burgess Voted on motion of C. G. Taylor that the Commander Chap. & J. V. C. be committee to make all necessary arrangements

Solid on motion (A. C.) from the Pall-bearers and attend the funeral.

Voted without dissent
R. W. Brown adjt.

Wed Aug 26th 1891

The Post to the No. of 23 met at the Hall at 2½ o'clock this afternoon and escorted the late Brother Daniel Marshall to the House of Joseph Brown on Middle St- where the funeral services of our late Comrade Joseph Brown were held, and from there escorted the remains to the Peckham Hill Cemetery where the burial Services according to the G. A. R. ritual were performed - proceeded to the hall and were dismissed

R. W. Brown adjt.

Sunday 11 O. Clock